

2023 Legislative Priorities Status

MACSSA advocates for meaningful system improvement, influence policy and legislation and promote quality human services that positively impact people, communities, and counties throughout Minnesota.

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Priority	Passed	Did not pass	Modified pass	Opportunity/fix
IT modernization			X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional state funding for full administration request Possible supplemental budget opportunity to carve out county implementation dollars
Cash assistance simplification	X			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional work needed as DWP phases out?
Mental health – MI&D cost; 48-hr rule			X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement in task force Messaging around task force process/results Supplemental budget ask for ongoing MI&D relief
Community Resource Centers			X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplemental budget ask for ongoing/additional funding Messaging around short-term results
Family First Prevention Services Act	X			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing monitoring of implementation

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Adult services				
Vulnerable Adult Act Phase II	X			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing monitoring of implementation
MnCHOICES assessor qualifications changes	X			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of impacts/implementation
Behavioral health				
Immediate Needs in Redesign of Case management		X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need for Systems improvement
Case management redesign		X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need for county financial stability and state commitment to hold counties harmless in transition
County share of Behavioral Health Fund		X		Reallocate County Share to developing necessary resources across our state.

High acuity needs / Forensic Beds			X	See previous slide on 48-hr rule
Supporting workforce (MSU-Mankato)	X			Other opportunities regionally or across the state
Children's				
Mental health residential services pathway	X			Pursue State operation of 3 rd pathway, with direct billing from providers to DHS
Foster care/kinship	X			
Paperwork reduction modernization	X			Follow-up on Implementation and system changes New systems in DCYF
Transition age youth services expansion			X	Study being done on SSI/RSDI to calculate cost and impact Legislation to hold child protection funding harmless in policy transition and allocate additional resources to broader group of transition age youth
ICWA/MIFPA	X			MIFPA Workgroup Recommendations for 2024
DCYF				County Role in ongoing implementation discussions
Modernization				
METS optimization	X			Additional County voice/influence in system modernization & RSS to reach CMS compliance
Healthcare				
Rate increase for NEMT	X			Evaluate state structure and responsibilities
Self-sufficiency				
Basic sliding fee child care	X			
The Work Number	X			Explore Employer Mandate for all eligibility information
Metro housing demo			X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplemental budget request for additional funding for expanded counties
MFIP cash assistance expansion/DWP	X			
In-housing training for public assistance programs		X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued work with DHS Continued education with legislators
Definition of the 48 Hour rule			X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement in task force Messaging around task force process/results