



## NAMI TX Legislative Proposal Position List

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\*Please note: NAMI Texas takes positions on legislative proposals using our Public Policy Platform as a guide. We also review legislative proposals with our volunteer Public Policy Committee. There may be bills not on this list that we will end up taking a position on - this is due to the nature of our legislative proposal review process. Please contact NAMI Texas with any legislative proposals not on this list that you think we should take a position on.

### **NAMI Texas supports:**

Department of Family and Protective Services, Exceptional Item 5: Child Protective Services Initiatives and Operations

Department of Family and Protective Services, Exceptional Item 7: Child Protective Investigations Initiatives and Operations

Department of Family and Protective Services, Exceptional Item 8: Expanded Prevention and Early Intervention Programs

HB 1 (Rep. Zerwas): General Appropriations Bill.

-Texas Education Agency, Rider 74: Texas Safe and Healthy Schools Initiative

HB 129 (Rep. Bernal): Relating to the assignment of certain certified or licensed professionals to certain public schools.

HB 198 (Rep. Thierry): Relating to providing mental health services and mental health education to public school students at school-based health centers.

HB 204 (Rep. Thierry): Relating to the inclusion of instruction about mental health in the required curriculum for public school students.

HB 241 (Rep. Farrar, Rep. Beckley): Relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain women after a pregnancy. (Companion bills: SB 147 by Sen. Rodriguez, SB 308 by Sen. Watson, HB 411 by Rep. Thierry, HB 610 by Rep. Walle, HB 744 by Rep. Rose)

HB 253 (Rep. Farrar): Relating to a strategic plan to address postpartum depression.

HB 316 (Rep. Howard): Relating to a public awareness campaign on firearm safety and suicide prevention.

HB 342 (Rep. Cortez): Relating to the period of continuous eligibility for the medical assistance program.

HB 363 (Rep. Jarvis Johnson): Relating to the creation of the office of independent oversight ombudsman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

HB 394 (Rep. Minjarez): Relating to the duties of a hearing officer following a Health and Human Services Commission fair hearing regarding the denial of certain services

HB 471 (Rep. Thierry): Relating to required suicide prevention training for certain health care practitioners.

HB 501 (Rep. Senfronia Thompson): Relating to the requirement and study of insurance coverage for serious emotional disturbance of a child. (Companion bill by Sen. Zaffirini: SB 314)

HB 517 (Rep. Israel): Relating to unprofessional conduct by mental health providers who attempt to change the sexual orientation of a child; providing penalties.

HB 565 (Rep. Coleman): Relating to healthcare coverage in this state.

HB 606 (Rep. Thierry): Relating to the automatic enrollment of certain women in the Healthy Texas Women program. (Companion bill by Sen. Miles: SB 189)

HB 822 (Rep. Parker): Relating to addressing adverse childhood experiences and developing a strategic plan to address those experiences.

HB 906 (Rep. Senfronia Thompson): Relating to the establishment of a collaborative task force to study certain public school mental health services.

HB 1069 (Rep. Price): Relating to consideration of the mental health of public school students in training requirements for certain school employees, curriculum requirements, counseling programs, educational programs, state and regional programs and services, and health care services for students and to mental health first aid program training and reporting regarding local mental health authority and school district personnel.

HCR 16 (Rep. Thierry): Designating May as Mental Health Month for a 10-year period beginning in 2019.

HHSC Exceptional Item 7: Funding Expanded Capacity at Renovated State Hospitals (Comprehensive Plan Phase I Projects)

HHSC Exceptional Item 11: Enhance Mental Health Capacity

HHSC Exceptional Item 16: targeted pay increases for critical front-line regulatory and facility staff in high turnover or hard-to-fill positions at state hospitals

HHSC Exceptional Item 19: Ensure Services for Individuals Experiencing Early Psychosis

HHSC Exceptional Item 20: Ensure Access to Residential Treatment Center Beds for Children

HHSC Exceptional Item 21: Substance Use Disorder Treatment

HHSC Exceptional Item 22: new IDD community outpatient mental health services at LIDDAs to provide integrated physical and behavioral health services for people with IDD, preventing crisis situations.

HHSC Exceptional Item 27: Improve Capacity for Community Inpatient Psychiatric Services

HHSC Exceptional Item 32: Increase Availability of Child Advocacy Services Throughout the State for CASA and CACs

HHSC Exceptional Item 34: Enhance Services for the Family Violence Program

HHSC Exceptional 37: Maintain Service Levels for Mental Health Grant Programs

HHSC Exceptional Item 43: Enhance Real-Time Behavioral Health Data Sharing

HHSC Exceptional Item 49: Pediatric Telemedicine Grant Program for Rural Texas

SB 63 (Sen. Nelson): Relating to the creation of the Texas Mental Health Care Consortium.

SB 71 (Sen. Nelson): Relating to the establishment of a statewide telehealth center for sexual assault forensic medical examination.

SB 107 (Sen. Menendez): Relating to coverage for serious mental illness under certain group health benefit plans.

SB 145 (Sen. Rodriguez): Relating to health benefit plan coverage in this state.

SB 188 (Sen. Miles): Relating to the creation of the office of independent oversight ombudsman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. (companion bill: HB 363 by Rep. Jarvis Johnson)

SB 189 (Sen. Miles): Relating to the automatic enrollment of certain women in the Healthy Texas Women program.

SB 307 (Sen. Watson): Relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain women for behavioral health services after a pregnancy.

SB 344 (Sen. Watson): Relating to the participation of campus-based mental health professionals in certain health benefit plans.

SB 355 (Sen. West): Relating to developing a strategic plan to ensure the provision of prevention and early intervention services complies with federal law.

SB 429 (Sen. Lucio): Relating to a comprehensive plan for increasing and improving the workforce in this state to serve persons with mental health and substance use issues.

SB 500, Section 10 (Sen. Nelson): Supplemental appropriations, funding to continue improving the state hospital system.

SB 580 (Sen. Campbell): Relating to modification of certain prescription drug benefits and coverage offered by certain health benefit plans.

TDCJ Exceptional Item 3: therapeutic diversion from administrative segregation

TDCJ Exceptional Item 4: Probation Specialized Programs - Treatment/Supervision

TDCJ Exceptional Item 6: Offender Health Care

TDCJ Exceptional Item 8: Additional TCOOMMI Funding

Texas Education Agency Exceptional Item 1: Safe and Healthy Schools Initiative

**NAMI Texas opposes:**

SB 85 (Sen. Hall): Relating to the regulation of the conduct of certain counseling professions.

HB 437 (Rep. Shaheen): Relating to allowing Medicaid managed care organizations to adopt their own drug formularies.