

Sisters Of The Road

Health Care Guiding Principles

1. Comprehensive Health Care is a Human Right.
 - This includes physical, behavioral, dental, vision, “alternative” health care and addictions treatment.
2. Access to Affordable Quality Health Care
 - All people, regardless of their health condition or economic situation should have access to quality health care that is affordable.
3. Prevention and Wellness
 - Preventive health care services need to be an essential part of any health care plan, and accessible to all.
4. Systemic Prevention
 - We believe all systems interact with one another. To this end, we advocate that housing, transportation and education are affordable and accessible to all, helping support the health of everyone.
5. Eliminate Disparities
 - Homelessness is associated with high rates of morbidity and mortality. People experiencing homelessness face barriers to receiving health care and have higher rates of emergency department use, inpatient hospitalization and longer hospital stays than low-income housed persons. (Kushel, M. B., Gupta, R., Gee, L., & Haas, J. S., 2006).
6. Education and Outreach
 - All people need to have access to information regarding health care. Improving health literacy amongst all people is a vital component of health care reform.

Our Mission:

“Our aim is to get as many members of our community at the health care reform table, engaging in a meaningful and powerful way. Our goal is, through collaboration with our allies, to provide the tools to empower our community to effectively create changes that will positively impact their health. Our hope is that by illuminating the voices of our community and learning from one another, we can work together to create reform that puts human dignity before profit.”

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