



Our Mission

The Chronic Disease Coalition (CDC) advocates on behalf of people with chronic diseases and helps them advocate for themselves. We are working to improve state and federal policies so that more people can access the affordable healthcare they need. With nearly half of all Americans managing a chronic disease, we can improve the quality of life of all families.

Access

The CDC advocates for expanded access to comprehensive care and treatment options, ensuring that individuals facing long-term health challenges receive the support and resources they need.

Access to state Medicaid programs is crucial to America's working families, and program changes should keep patients' needs first. We also support improvements to policies around:

- Step therapy
- Prior authorization
- Medigap
- Telehealth access
- Mental health parity
- Nonmedical switching
- Living donor protections
- Workforce improvements
- Medical transportation



Affordability

The CDC advocates for reducing patients' cost through improved management of both rare and common chronic conditions. We also work to dismantle financial barriers to healthcare to ensure families don't have to choose between paying rent and paying for treatment.

- Pharmacy Benefit Manager reform
- Third party assistance
- Prescription Drug Affordability Boards
- Copay accumulator bans
- Alternative funding programs
- 340B programs

Representation

The CDC supports greater patient representation in regulatory and legislative processes, as well as more consideration of how policies affect patient communities differently.

- Health equity
- Rare disease advisory councils
- Chronic kidney disease task forces

