

ELECTION 2024

Patients Over Politics

Candidate Scorecard

HOW TO USE THIS TOOL

2024 is a consequential election year in all 50 states — from the U.S. President and Congress to governors and local legislators. Every election is a golden opportunity to ensure we are represented by lawmakers who understand the plight of patients in this country. After all, they are there to improve outcomes for the rest of us.

These questions (directed to either state or federal candidates) address key health care issues that directly impact patients' lives and well-being. By asking candidates to articulate their positions on these matters, patients can make informed decisions when casting their votes in 2024.

You can ask these questions at town halls, in coffee meetings, at campaign events, or on social media platforms. The questions are based on the Chronic Disease Coalition's 2024 policy platform — but you should always feel empowered to ask candidates anything.

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State: *“Insurance companies in our state sometimes force patients to go through a lot of bureaucratic problems and delay before getting the medications or treatments that doctors prescribe. How would you make sure that insurance companies don't get in the way of doctors' orders for the right medication?”*

Federal: *“Patients with chronic diseases, or pre-existing conditions, often face challenges with work-place discrimination, which makes it extremely difficult to get good insurance coverage for better health care services, in order to keep working. With the number of chronic disease patients rising, how will you make it easier to keep people in the work force?”*

