



BLACK WOMEN VOTE: National Health Policy Agenda

REPORT CARD

Candidate _____ District _____

Pillar I: Access to Quality and Affordable Health Care

Affordable Care and Patient Protection Act (ACA)

Support preservation and improvement upon the Affordable Care Act to ensure millions of Americans retain access to affordable, quality health care Yes No

Oppose repeal and replace efforts of the ACA Yes No

Medicaid

Support Medicaid expansion in all 50 states and the protection of Medicaid and Medicare as safety net programs with no harmful waivers such as work requirements, premiums, or time limits. Yes No

Access to Affordable Medicine and Biosimilars

Support and recommend access to affordable life-saving drugs, including biosimilars, and policies that give biosimilars an opportunity to provide competition in the market . . . Yes No

Access to High-quality Maternal and Infant Health Resources

Support access to patient-centered prenatal, maternity, and postpartum care that is affordable, high quality, respectful, culturally competent, and safe to ensure Black women have healthy pregnancies and healthy children. Yes No

Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice

Title X

Support the preservation of women’s preventive services coverage under Title X by fully funding eligible Title X Program providers regardless of abortion practices or beliefs Yes No

Access to Affordable Contraceptives

Support access to affordable contraceptives through the maintenance of the ACA’s contraceptive coverage benefit with no religious or moral exemptions, as well as support of the Protect Access to Birth Control Act Yes No

Abortion

Support access to safe, legal abortion Yes No

Breast Cancer / Lung Cancer

Recommend the elimination of annual deductibles, copayments, and coinsurance payments (“cost-sharing”) for all screening mammograms, such as annual mammograms for women starting at age 40 Yes No

Support the elimination of cost-sharing for diagnostic imaging for breast cancer, including diagnostic mammograms, breast ultrasounds, and breast MRIs Yes No

Support the full coverage of 3D mammogram screening and diagnostic tests without copays, coinsurance, or deductibles Yes No

Support lung cancer prevention efforts that are accessible and culturally appropriate for Black women and girls Yes No

Cardiovascular Health

Increase access to preventive care and affordable cardiovascular medicines and medical devices, and funding for culturally tailored campaigns and programs that educate and assist Black women in reducing their risk of heart disease Yes No

Diabetes

Support increased funding for awareness programming and public education initiatives about the prevalence of prediabetes, how to prevent type 2 diabetes, and increased benefit coverage for diabetes prevention. Yes No



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HIV/AIDS

Increase access to services for HIV prevention, including access to PrEP prescriptions and funding for PrEP public education campaigns and programs tailored to Black women and girls. Yes No

Mental Health

Support access to affordable mental health services for Black women Yes No
 Support increased diversity, equity, and inclusion in the mental health profession through minority pipeline programs and cultural competence training Yes No

Sickle Cell Disease

Support continued coverage of sickle cell disease treatment under Medicaid and Medicare. Yes No
 Support funding for public health initiatives and research on sickle cell disease prevalence, delivery of care, and health outcomes for Black women and girls. Yes No

Pillar II: Equitable Responses to Public Health Emergencies

Access to Clean Water

Support access to safe, clean water through policies that increase funding for our nation's water infrastructure needs; prioritize nature-based solutions; uphold environmental, health and safety standards; and make water affordable for everyone . . . Yes No

Toxins in Beauty and Menstrual Care Products

Support mandatory testing and disclosure of ingredients in beauty and menstrual care products and an update to federal standards governing the safety of personal care products Yes No

Gun Violence

Support common sense restrictions on the ownership and purchase of guns Yes No

Incarceration and Money Bail

Support ending money bail and legislation that requires investigation into the for-profit bail industry, ongoing oversight, and investment into alternatives to money bail. Yes No

Pillar III: Sufficient Diversity in Clinical Research

Diversity in Clinical Trials

Support inclusion of Black women in clinical trials to better inform research and understand health disparities including higher incidence and mortality rates from chronic conditions Yes No

Diversity in the Workforce

Support diverse leadership of health professionals in educational institutions and hospitals and culturally competent training into the licensure and accreditation training of physicians, nurses, and other health professionals Yes No

Diversity in Tech

Recommend enhanced access to 3D technology, programs, and initiatives to increase the number of Black women in tech and startups with investment funding . . . Yes No
 Support efforts that help build networks of Black women in tech, including those eligible for board positions Yes No

Pillar IV: Increased Funding to Support HBCUs

Funding for Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Support an increase in funding for HBCU and minority-serving institutions in the FY19 budget through expanded HBCU partnerships with federal agencies Yes No

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