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## NYSAFP 2018-2019 Legislative Priorities

The New York State Academy of Family Physicians (NYSAFP) represents over 6,000 physicians, residents, and students across New York State. Listed below are NYSAFP's 2018-19 legislative priorities.

### **SUPPORT: Prior Authorization Reform**

*S.7872, (Hannon) / A.9588, (Gottfried)*

An act to amend the public health law and the insurance law, in relation to utilization review program standards and prescription drug formulary changes during a contract year, and in relation to pre-authorization of health care services.

- *Status:* Senate Health Committee and Assembly Insurance Committee

### **SUPPORT: Physician safety legislation**

*S.8055, Funke / A.10225, Joyner*

Relates to the assault of physicians providing direct patient care; provides that assault of physicians shall be assault in the second degree, a class D felony.

- *Status:* Passed the Senate, in Assembly Codes Committee

### **SUPPORT: Universal healthcare coverage through a single payer health system**

*New York Health - A.4738, (Gottfried) / S.4840, (Rivera)*

Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.

- *Status:* Senate Health Committee, this passed the Assembly the last four years

### **SUPPORT: Initiatives to expand access to reproductive health care**

*The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act (CCCA) - S.3668, Bonacic/A.1378 Cahill*

Enacts the "comprehensive contraception coverage act" to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.

- *Status:* Assembly Floor/ Senate Insurance Committee \*Note, a very similar proposal is in the Executive Budget Women's Health Bill

*The Reproductive Health Act (RHA) - A.1748, Glick/ S.2796, Krueger*

An act to amend the public health law, in relation to enacting the reproductive health act and revising existing provisions of law regarding abortion; to amend the penal law, the criminal procedure law, the county law and the judiciary law, in relation to abortion; to repeal certain provisions of the public health law relating to abortion; to repeal certain provisions of the education law relating to the sale of contraceptives; and to repeal certain provisions of the penal law relating to abortion.

- Status: Assembly Floor/ Senate Health Committee \*Note, a very similar proposal is in the Executive Budget Women's Health Bill

**SUPPORT: Medical aid in dying**

*S.3151-A, Savino / A.2383-A, Paulin*

Relates to the medical aid in dying act; relates to a terminally ill patient's request for and use of medication for medical aid in dying.

- Status: Senate and Assembly Health Committees