

Community Alliance of Sarasota County Proposed 2021 Legislative Priority Issues

Aging

- 10% increase or shift of funding to Home and Community Based Care programs (CCE Community Care for the Elderly, HCE Home Care for the Elderly, ADI Alzheimer's Disease Initiative)

Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Substance Abuse)

- Service Enhancement and Expansion for Adults with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) or Substance Use Disorder (SUD)
- Psychiatric Residency

Child Welfare

- Review of protective procedures for DCF and investigation of child abuse
- Family Finder

Children and Youth

- Early Childhood Court
- First Episode Psychosis/Coordinated Specialty Care

Criminal Justice

- Voices for Florida Open Doors Outreach Network: Serving Child and Young Adults Victims of Sex Trafficking

Developmental Disabilities

- Reduction of Medicaid Waiver Wait List

Early Learning

- Quality Early Learning
- Benefits Cliff Mitigation

Health Care

- Increased funding for Fetal Alcohol Diagnostic and Training Center
- Medicaid Expansion
- Importance of a Healthy Start

Homelessness

- Community Addiction-Recovery Program.
- Exemption of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) records from Florida's public records laws