

Copy of Top eight Recommendations charts

CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEMS #1	STATEWIDE TRAUMA SYSTEM #2	OBESITY AMONG ALABAMA #3	PRIMARY CARE FOR CHILDREN #4	MEDICAID FUNDING #5	EPI CARDS #6	CELL PHONE USAGE #7	MALPRACTICE COSTS #8
<p>Legislation: Increase properly installed child passenger safety seats and their use in motor vehicles to 100% through legislation and public education.</p>	<p>Legislation: The State is urged to adopt a state-wide trauma system that is based on established clinical criteria.</p>	<p>Education: Reverse the ominous trend of the growing obesity problem among Alabama residents through extraordinary educational efforts focused on proper nutrition and physical activity. Support State Dept. of Education efforts in physical fitness & nutrition Involve the Business Council of Alabama (BCA) & Chambers of Commerce in workplace fitness & nutrition Support the Alabama Integrated Nutrition Education Partnership (AINEP)</p>	<p>Education: Increase access to Primary Care for Children, Chambers of Commerce support for Alabama Child Caring and Provision of health insurance. Foundation to provide dollar-for-dollar match by Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) with goal of covering 5000 children in next 2 years</p>	<p>Legislation: Development of dedicated, protected, adequate, stable, and recurring state revenue sources for funding of Alabama Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). In October 2005, the State of Alabama will face a severe funding crisis for Medicaid, with a \$160M shortfall. We are requesting additional recurring funding of \$160M for this critical program.</p>	<p>Education: Strive to have 50% of children, their families, and the elderly in Alabama to obtain EPI cards by 2006.</p>	<p>Legislation: Cell phone usage create legislation to restrict 16 & 17 year old drivers from using cell phones while operating a vehicle.</p>	<p>Legislation: In relation to medical malpractice lawsuits, legislation would be created to specify what compensatory damages and what punitive damages would entail and where that money would be allocated.</p>