

Integration and Vision: Grand Challenges Policies Recommendation

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Integration

✦ Policy Strategies and Actions across Grand Challenges:

Involvement of the Community

- Ensure Healthy Development of All Youth: “community level monitoring for risk and protective factors”
- Close the Health Gap: “advance community empowerment”
- Advance Long and Productive Lives: “expand community services”
- Eradicate Social Isolation: “build age friendly communities”
- Create Social Responses to a Changing Environment: “engage marginalized communities”
- Promote Smart Decarceration: “reallocate resources for community supports”

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✧ Policy Strategies and Actions across Grand Challenges:

Advocacy for Funding, Subsidies, Financial Support, Resources

- Ensuring the Healthy Development for All Youth: “public funds support effective prevention programs”
- Stop Family Violence: “prioritize VAVA funding”
- Advance Long and Productive Lives: “provide caregiver financial support”
- End Homelessness: “expand housing subsidies”

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✧ Policy Strategies and Actions across Grand Challenges:

Making Policy Recommendations

- Close the Health Gap: “global health policy”
- Reduce Extreme Economic Inequality: “Create new policies for wealth building”
- Create Social Responses to a Changing Environment: “migration population replacement”
- Achieve Equal Opportunity and Justice: “eliminate zero tolerance policies”



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✦ Policy Strategies and Actions across Grand Challenges:

- Workforce and employment
- Evidence-based approaches, practices
- Data
- Prevention programs
- Cross section collaboration
- Local/state capacity

Vision: Influencing Current Legislation

Families First Prevention Act: Passed by the House of Representatives and waiting for Senate vote

1) Policy proposal would “Strengthen families and reduce unnecessary foster care placement by allowing states to use federal foster care dollars to pay up to 12 months of family services to prevent children from needing to enter foster care”.

✦ Highlight Grand Challenge “Ensuring Healthy Development for All Youth-By Unleashing the Power of Prevention”

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2) Policy proposal would “Support family relationships by allowing states to receive a partial match for evidence-based Kinship prgramas to help children remain with family members whenever possible”.

- Highlight Grand Challenge “Advance Long and Productive Lives”

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3) Policy proposal would “Help families stay together by reauthorizing the Regional Partnership Grant Program, which provides funding to state and regional grantees seeking to provide evidence-based services to prevent child abuse and neglect related to substance use”.

- Highlight Grand Challenge “Stop Family Violence” and “Close the Health Gap”/”Reducing and Preventing Alcohol Misuse”

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4) Policy proposal would “Improve support for the transition to adulthood by updating the John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program to allow states the option of continuing to assist older foster care youth up to age 23, including providing education and training vouchers.

- Highlight Grand Challenge “Achieve Equal Opportunity and Justice”/ “Increasing Success for African American Children and Youth”



Vision: Influencing Future Legislation

Harnessing Technology for Social Good:

“unlock government data/big data to drive solutions to social problems”

Center for the Study of Social Policy, “Aligning Resources and Results: Increasing Equity Through the Budget”

“The release of President Obama’s Fiscal Year Budget proposal provides an opportunity to emphasize how- and why- policymakers and community members should work together to maximize resources and promote child and family well-being and reduce equity gaps in outcomes”.