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Current Budget Priorities

- Structural Balance
- Managed Long Term Services and Supports
- Behavioral Health Redesign
- Comprehensive Primary Care
- Coverage Works

Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS)

- Coordinate care for individuals receiving community and facility based long term services and supports beginning July 1, 2018
- [MyCare Ohio Progress Report 2017](#)
- MyCare plans are saving \$2.4 million per month by shifting utilization from nursing facilities to community based services
- Rate increases for home and community based services are contingent on implementation of MLTSS
- As introduced, MLTSS is budget neutral – counting savings from a delay opens up a hole in the budget

Behavioral Health (BH) Redesign

- Significant new services on track to come online for individuals with the most severe illnesses on July 1, 2017
- [NAMI requested not delaying access to these services](#)
- 38 stakeholder meetings, 9 provider trainings and forums, 18 updates to manuals and rates to address provider concerns
- [The final rules include 16 significant policy changes for providers](#)
- [The Common Sense Initiative \(CSI\) recommended proceeding](#)
- Provider system testing on track to begin in May
- On track to implement benefit, coding and payment changes July 1, 2017 and move all Medicaid BH services into managed care January 1, 2018, as required by the last budget

Comprehensive Primary Care (CPC)

- As introduced the Executive Budget increased funding for primary care practices that do more to keep patients well
- House substitute eliminates CPC to save \$33 million (state share) over two years, but the total impact of that decision includes:
 - Reducing primary care practice reimbursement \$123 million (all funds) over two years
 - Ending CPC in the middle of a program year and repaying \$9.3 million in federal payments to providers paid to date
 - Forfeiting \$36 million in federal grant funding
 - Foregoing significant future savings

Coverage Works

- [Medicaid Coverage Supports Work](#)
- [Ohio Medicaid growth within legislative targets](#)
- [Impact of a federal freeze on Medicaid enrollment](#)