



Conquering CHD Policy Priorities 2019-2020

- 1) Promote public reporting activities through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**
 - Develop and advocate for levers to promote increased participation in public reporting activities

- 2) Support Congenital Heart Disease Research and Surveillance at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**
 - Advocate for adequate funding
 - Advocate for multi-centered research across the lifespan specific to congenital heart disease
 - Advocate for genomic research on congenital heart defects and other structural birth defects
 - Advocate for public health research, surveillance and awareness activities that address congenital heart disease across the lifespan
 - Promote and collaborate on activities outputs and publications
 - Increase patient engagement with the institute and center

- 3) Increase awareness of the public health burden of Congenital Heart Disease**
 - Educate members of Congress about CHD and health care disparities

- 4) Support policy aimed to improve access to appropriate and timely specialized care**
 - Support key coverage provisions that minimize catastrophic medical debt for patients
 - Educate about lifelong need for specialized care, including reimbursement for education to facilitate transition from pediatric to adult health care, beginning in pediatrics

- 5) Identify opportunities to support the CHD community through endorsement of policy not specific to CHD**
 - Ex: Pediatric medical device development
 - Leverage relationships with strategic partners
 - Coalition Participation

