

## 2021 Advocacy Agenda

Prior to the beginning of each legislative session the FPA's governmental affairs team made up of the officers of the FPA, 5 at large members (including one student) appointed by the president, a representative of FSHP and the Chair of the Florida Pharmacist Political Committee gather to build an advocacy plan. That plan was presented to and approved by the FPA Board of Directors at their March 2021 meeting. The FPA's resources are not unlimited and as such this committee is charged with establishing a priority of the policies that need to be on the table for our advocacy team. We are pleased to continue to work with Claudia Davant and her team at Adams Street Advocates who has tirelessly been at our side working the issues that are important to pharmacy. Ideally we would love to take on all issues that are out there but bandwidth to take on everything is limited. Also some policy changes may take place within the Florida House and Senate while others may require action before various state agencies. The approved advocacy plan for 2021 included the following:

### Medicaid Reform

- Carve-out of pharmacy benefits from the Medicaid Managed Care program
- Pass-through pricing model
- Dispensing fee paid to pharmacies

### Enhancement of Existing PBM Regulations in Florida Statutes and Administrative Codes

- OIR ability to make rules, impose penalties, levy fines, revoke registration
- Establish private right of action

### Reimbursement Transparency in Pharmacy Claims

- Payment transparency applied to all reimbursement models
- Require disclosure of reimbursement methodology
- Establish effective appeals process
- Prohibit reimbursement below cost benchmarks
- Prohibit all post-claim fees
- Prohibit reimbursement disparities for any affiliated pharmacy of insurer

### Enhancement of Fair Audit Practices Already Existing in Florida Statutes and Administrative Codes

- Limit number of prescriptions audited and time period of audit
- Clinical judgements must be done by FL licensed pharmacists
- Prohibit auditor compensation as percentage of recovery

### Network Adequacy Assurance to Allow All Floridians Access to High Quality Pharmacy Services

- Any willing provider allowed to participate in network
- Mandatory mail order prohibition
- Specialty restrictions prohibited – no barrier higher than license