Policy Memo: Feb 24-28

Status after Committee Hearings:

- **Senate Bill 739 Amendment #2**: Bill which allows School Health Centers (SHCs) to remain direct access service providers
  - **Position**: Support
  - **Action**: This is our bill which was an amendment to a shell bill, finalized last week
  - **Background**: SHCs provide essential services to elementary, middle, and high school students in many parts of Illinois. This bill will allow SHCs to continue to receive fee-for-service reimbursement for providing services.

- **House Resolution 807**: Encourages Department of Insurance to review Navigator Program
  - **Position**: Oppose
  - **Action**: EverThrive IL has been working against this resolution because it is an attempt to limit enrollment in ACA by putting extra obstacles in front of navigators attempting to be trained.
  - **Background**: Navigators go through rigorous training with pre and post testing, in person mandatory sessions, and background checks. UIC School of Public Health is doing a detailed evaluation of the navigators’ competency (over 99% passed). Additional evaluation of the program is unnecessary.

- **House Bill 3638**: Requires Department of Insurance and HFS to develop a uniform prior authorization form for prescription drug benefits
  - **Position**: Support
  - **Action**: EverThrive IL has been working on the roll call for this bill
  - **Background**: With the passage of this bill, every prescribing provider may use the uniform prior authorization form to request prior authorization for coverage of prescription drug benefits and every health care service plan shall accept that form as sufficient to request prior authorization for prescription drug benefits.

- **House Bills 5462/5463**: Ambulatory Treatment Center/Abortion Law-Informed Consent
  - **Position**: Oppose
  - **Action**: Bills were sent to subcommittees, essentially killing them this session
  - **Background**: This bill would require that nearly every abortion—non-surgical and surgical—in Illinois will have to be performed in the functional equivalent of a small hospital. (No other medical care in the state is regulated in this way.) It imposes medically unnecessary and costly requirements that limit access to abortion. This is a part of a package of extreme bills that include criminal penalties and focus on stopping women’s access to abortion.

Bills Scheduled for Committee Next Week:

- HB 8 → Labor and Commerce Committee Hearing 3/5 2:00pm
- HB 4199, HB4406, HB4585, HB5410, HB5412, HB5462, HB5463, HB5626, HB5689 → Human Services Committee Hearing 3/5 1:00 pm
- HB4230 → Public Utilities Committee Hearing 3/4 2:00pm
- HB4440 → Elementary and Secondary Education Committee Hearing 3/5 8:30am
- HB4474 → Revenue and Finance/Income Tax Subcommittee Meeting 3/6 8:00am
- HB5574 → Health Care Licenses Committee Hearing 3/5 10:00 am
- HB5690 → Revenue and Finance/Sales and other Taxes Subcommittee Hearing 3/6 8:00am
- HR 807 → Insurance Committee Hearing 3/4 2:00pm
- SB68, SB3409 → Executive Hearing 3/5 2:00pm
- SB2605, SB2815, SB2965, SB3216 → Human Services Committee Hearing 3/4 4:00pm
- SB2659 → Public Health Hearing 3/4 2:00pm
- SB2789 → Labor and Commerce Hearing 3/5 11:00am
- SB2865 → Revenue Hearing 3/5 4:00pm

Reminder: The ACA Enrollment Deadline is March 31