# POLICY UPDATES AFFECTING CANCER CONTROL

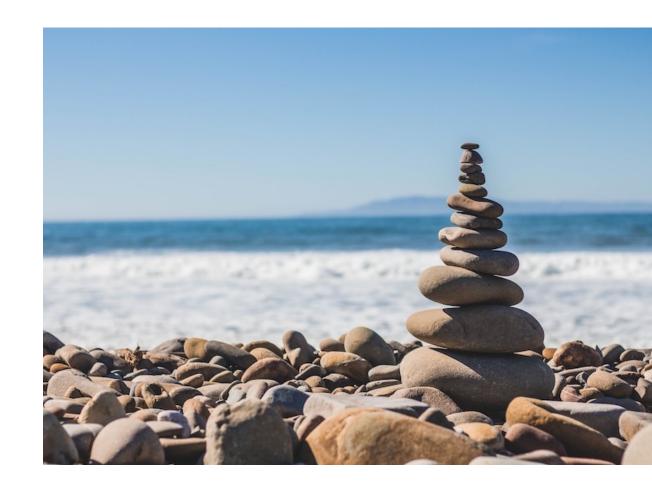
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### **Coalition's Policy Efforts**

- ✓ Align with Cancer Plan goals
- ✓ Best-practices to prevent, control, treat, and increase access to care
- ✓ Collaborate with partners
- ✓ Track bills that impact cancer control and coordinate action





# **AB155: BIOMARKER TESTING**

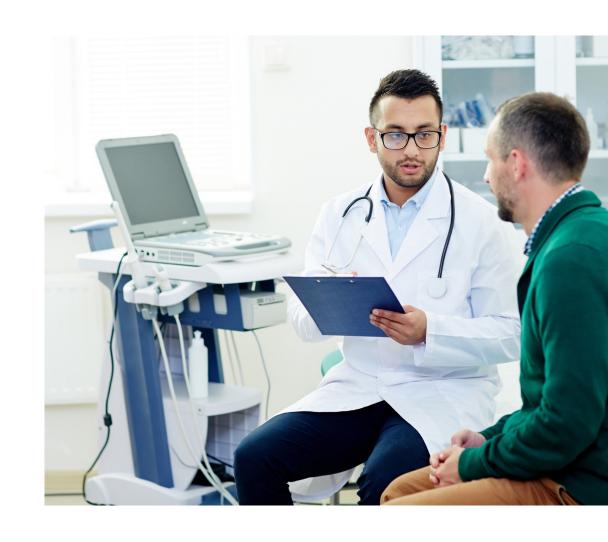
#### **BACKGROUND**

- American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
- Expanding access to testing
- Analysis of tissue, blood, or other biospecimen for presence of biomarker
- Diagnostic, monitoring, prognostic, pharmacogenomic, predictive applications

## **AB155: BIOMARKER TESTING**

### WHAT'S IN THE BILL

- Coverage for biomarker testing for diagnosis, treatment, management, and monitoring of cancer, included Medicaid
- Sets conditions for coverage
- Study for cost-effectiveness of biomarker testing



# SB194: PATIENT PROTECTIONS FOR STEP THERAPY PROTOCOLS

### **BACKGROUND**

- Cost containment method used by insurers requiring patient to "fail first"
- SB290 passed in 2021, allows step therapy exemptions for stage 3 and 4 cancer only
- Extend applications for exemptions to all patients, not just cancer

# SB194: PATIENT PROTECTIONS FOR THERAPY PROTOCOLS

### WHAT'S IN THE BILL

- Requires insurers to use evidence-based guidelines in developing step therapy protocols
- Allows insured or their provider to request exemption, outlines process, and information
- Requires insurers to grant certain exemptions
- Allows for an appeal process
- Sets a time limit for replies



# SB194: PATIENT PROTECTIONS FOR THERAPY PROTOCOLS

### **EXEMPTIONS**

- Public Employees' Benefits Program
- Medicaid managed care organizations

### SB330: ACCESS TO BREAST CANCER IMAGING

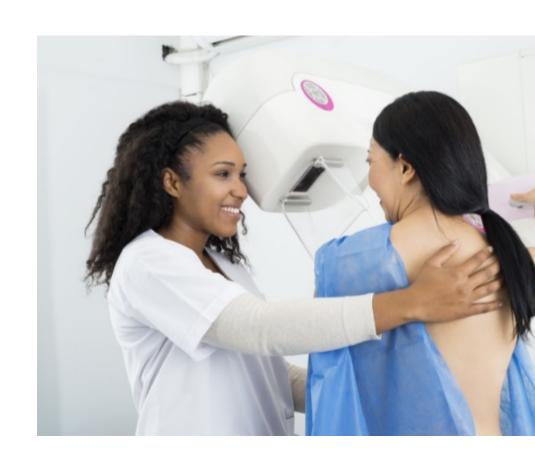
### **BACKGROUND**

- NRS 457.1857 Report provided to patient regarding breast densitity
- Northern Nevada partners seeing too many late-stage breast cancers
- Breast Cancer Collaborative strategies
  - Establishing consistent screening guidelines statewide
  - Improving patient education
  - Exploring policy opportunities

### SB330: ACCESS TO BREAST CANCER IMAGING

### WHAT'S IN THE BILL

- Annual mammograms for all insured patients 40+
- High risk, but asymptomatic, imaging test MRI, ultrasound, or other
- Diagnostic imaging test MRI, ultrasound, or other
- No deductible, co-payment, co-insurance, or any other cost sharing



### SB330: ACCESS TO BREAST CANCER IMAGING

### **EXEMPTIONS**

- Federally regulated insurance, including ERISA plans
- Public Employees' Benefits Program
- Local government public employee plans



# **THANK YOU!**



