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WHITMER'S VISION: STATE OF THE STATE 2024 HEALTHCARE RECAP

Governor Whitmer highlighted the need to confront disparities in healthcare outcomes that persist across Michigan. She proposed targeted efforts to address these disparities, ensuring that all residents, regardless of background or location, have equitable access to quality healthcare and achieve better health outcomes. She also underscored the necessity of making healthcare more affordable for Michigan residents. She proposed initiatives aimed at reducing healthcare costs, ensuring that individuals and families can access the care they need without facing financial strain.



BRANCH UPDATE

Executive

Governor Whitmer recently signed two pieces of legislation that underscore Michigan's commitment to promoting health awareness and access to care throughout the state. Firstly, Governor Whitmer signed a resolution recognizing February 2024 as School-Based Health Care Awareness Month and secondly, Governor Whitmer also signed a resolution declaring April 1-7, 2024, as National Public Health Week in the state of Michigan. This resolution aligns with the nationwide effort to raise awareness about public health and promote preventive health measures.

Legislative

The House Health Policy Behavioral Health Subcommittee heard testimony on HB 5114. This bill focuses on adjusting the Michigan's Mental Health Code regarding certified nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists-certified, and physician assistants scope of work. The bills language would allow these providers to offer comprehensive examinations and execute clinical certificates

Judicial

In response to growing concerns regarding racial disparities within the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission (JTC), a comprehensive review has been initiated. The JTC, tasked with overseeing the conduct of judges in the state, faces scrutiny over its handling of cases involving African American judges. The review comes amidst heightened awareness of systemic racism within the criminal justice system, prompting calls for accountability and transparency.



>>> Motown Memo

The Detroit chapter of the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE) recently hosted a networking event at the iconic Little Caesars Arena, marking a significant gathering for healthcare professionals in all stages of their career. The event provided a valuable opportunity for executives, leaders, and professionals from various sectors of the healthcare industry to come together, exchange ideas, and build meaningful connections.