



Senate Bill 2271

Senate Human Services | Senator Lee, Chair

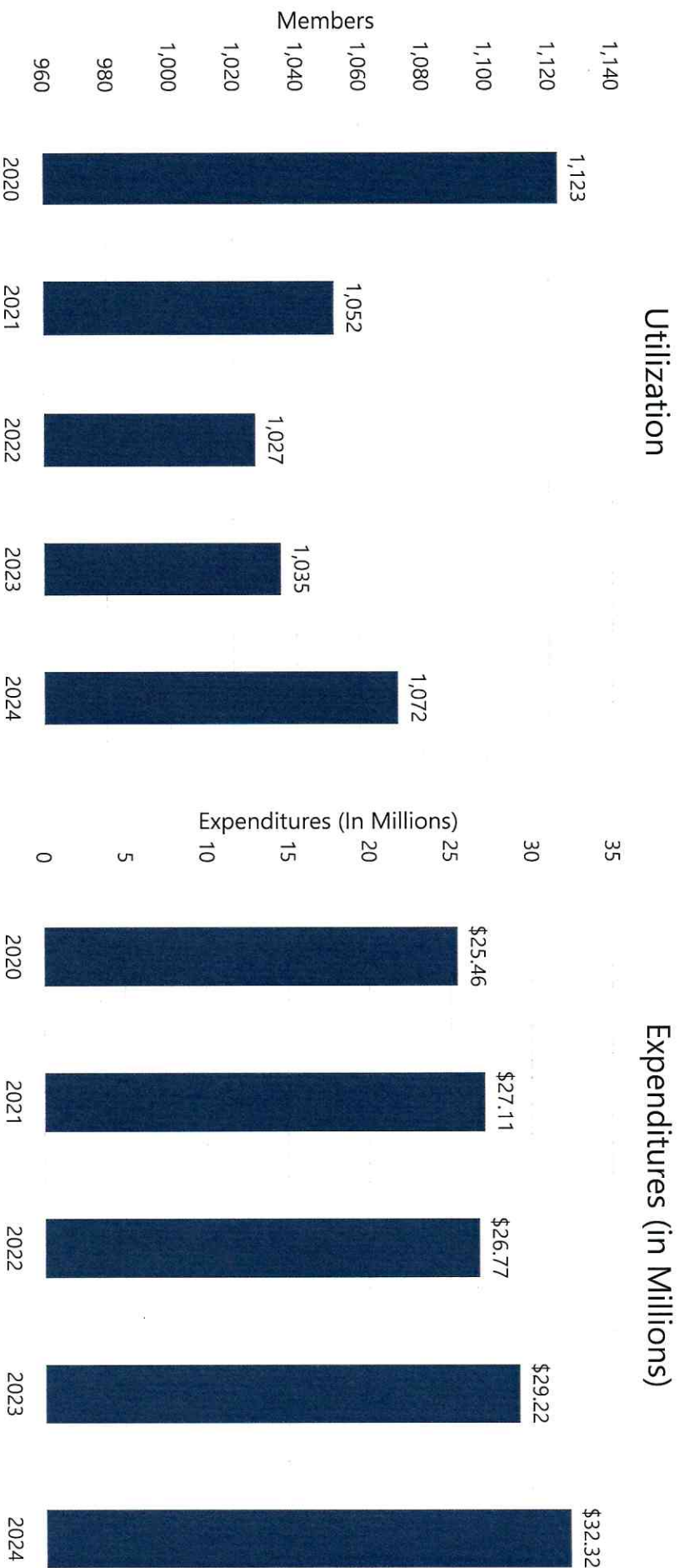
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Basic Care Utilization & Expenditures



Note: Basic Care Expenditures include both Basic Care Personal Care and Room and Board

Basic Care, Assisted Living & Adult Residential Concerns

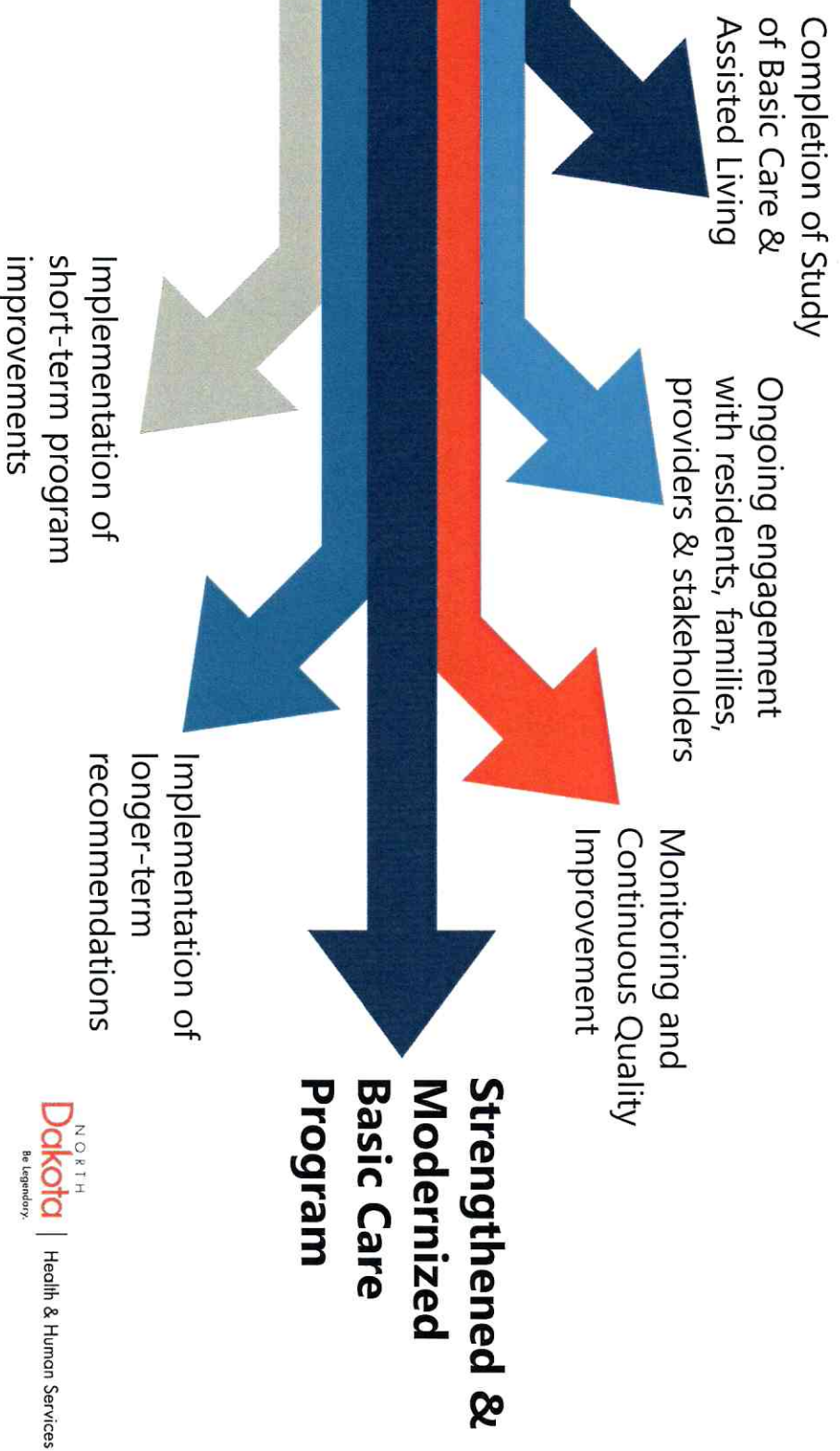
Top Health Response Section Concerns

- Infrequent Basic Care Facility Surveys (33-year inspection cycle)
- Lack of Assisted Living Licensure Standards

Top Medical Services Division Concerns

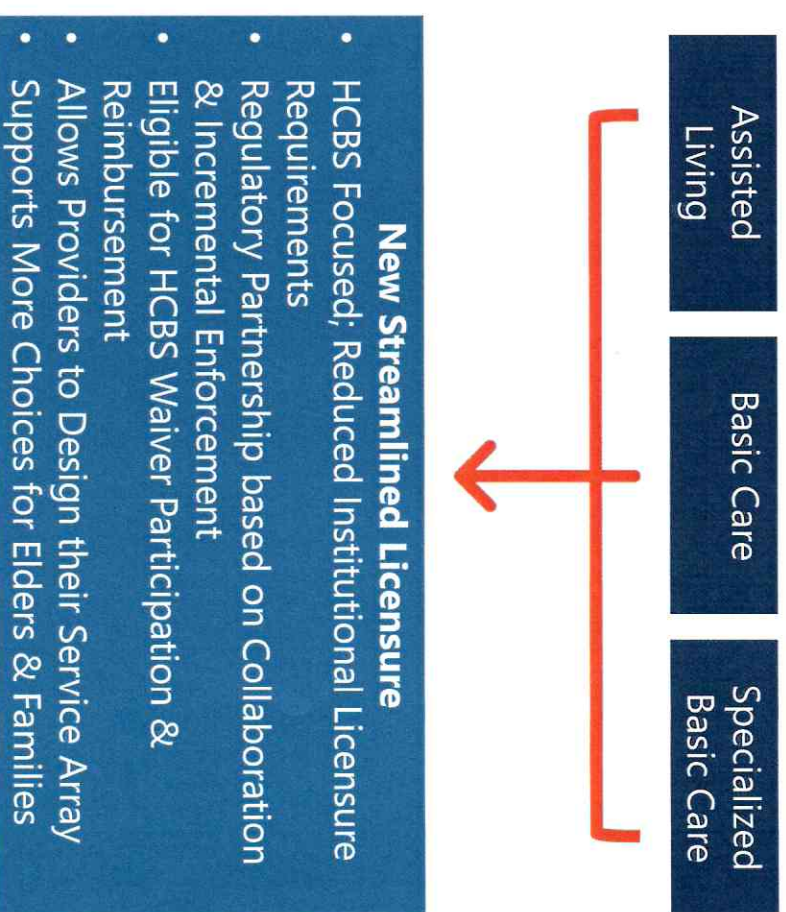
- Family Confusion
- Licensure Based on Payer Source
- Federal Funding Risk
- HCBS Settings Rule Compliance
- Department of Justice Risk

Basic Care Strategy



Basic Care Study Recommendations

1. Streamline licensing by creating a new single licensure type to cover both assisted living and Basic Care facilities.
2. Strengthen existing assisted living and Basic Care policy and create additional policies to reflect current requirements within the program, incorporate best practices, and align with State and federal requirements, as applicable.
3. Develop and implement State-led universal assisted living and Basic Care training and materials to educate all stakeholders.
4. Adopt strategies to improve and expand the current service and programmatic array within Basic Care to integrate residents more comprehensively into the community.
5. Update regulatory oversight process based on implementation of recommendations.



Basic Care Study Recommendations

6. Implement quality improvement initiative requirements for Basic Care facilities to improve quality of care and align facilities with best practices.
7. Update regulations to use publicly available indexes for cost trending to align more consistently with observed trends in provider costs.
8. Implement a Fair Rental Value (FRV) methodology to reimburse Basic Care provider property costs.
9. Implement tiered add-on payments for residents with increased ADLs care need and align reimbursement methodologies.

Related Bills:

House Bill 1550 | Relating to a nursing and basic care facility loan guarantee program
House Bill 1619 | Relating to a long-term care facility infrastructure loan fund

New Streamlined Licensure

- HCBS Focused; Reduced Institutional Licensure Requirements
- Regulatory Partnership based on Collaboration & Incremental Enforcement
- Eligible for HCBS Waiver Participation & Reimbursement
- Allows Providers to Design their Service Array
- Supports More Choices for Elders & Families



Person-Centered Sustainable Funding Model

Incentivizing Continued Improvement & Innovation