



Minnesota Psychiatric Society 2026 Legislative Priorities

MPS Leading Efforts

Mental Health Parity Enforcement

Strengthen oversight and enforcement of mental health parity laws so that coverage for mental health and substance use disorders is truly equal to physical health coverage.

Cannabis Potency & Warning Label Legislation

Establish standardized limits on cannabis potency and require clear, evidence-based warning labels to protect public health and inform consumers.

Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) – MA Coverage

Ensure the Collaborative Care Model—integrating primary and psychiatric care—is fully covered under Minnesota’s Medical Assistance (MA) program to expand access to mental health treatment.

Red Flag Law Expansion

Add licensed psychiatrists to the list of professionals authorized to petition a judge directly for temporary firearm removal when there is a clear risk of harm.

MPS Supporting Efforts

Maternal Mental Health Bill

Require insurance coverage for perinatal mental health screening, timely referral when needed, and adequate reimbursement for screening and follow-up care.

School Cell Phone Restrictions

Support policies limiting student cell phone use during instructional time to improve attention, reduce anxiety and social pressure, and support healthy brain development and academic performance.

Larry Hill Reform Act

Require jails to continue prescribed medications upon incarceration (with limited exceptions), ensuring continuity of mental health treatment and safety for individuals in custody.