

# KOHC 2022 Policy Priorities

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**Allow city and county governments the option to regulate the use, display, sale, and distribution of tobacco products – including e-cigarettes – to curb tobacco use among youth**

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 **BLUEPRINT** *for*  
**KENTUCKY'S CHILDREN**



**Protect funding for the HANDS in-home visiting program to ensure this critical service is available to and utilized by new parents across Kentucky**

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**Protect current funding for safety net programs, including KTAP, SNAP, and WIC, and ensure they are not modified in ways that prevent children from receiving needed services**

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## Invest in the education and wellbeing of every student

- Increase funding for Family Resource and Youth Service Centers (FRYSCs), who work with families to remove barriers to student learning
- Increase funding for school-based health providers and access to school-based behavioral health services

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## Ensure children and families continue to access the health care and services they need

- Ensure investments in Medicaid and KCHIP prioritize closing the remaining gap in health coverage for Latinx children
- Increase Medicaid funding to support health coverage for mothers up to 12 months postpartum
- Boost investments in tobacco use prevention and cessation programming to curb use among youth and pregnant women





**Protect community water  
fluoridation programs**

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