Social Work Workforce: Recruitment, Retention, and Growth
- Collaborate with allied organizations and mobilize grassroots efforts to educate policymakers on the economic advantages of adopting the Social Work Interstate Licensing Compact in Texas to increase access to care.
- Advocate for processes that would reduce administrative burdens and establish equitable and expanded access to social work licensing within the Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners (TSBWE) and the Behavioral Health Executive Council (BHEC).
  - Submit recommendations to legislators about developing a Spanish licensing exam(s), removing mandatory barriers to licensure, and reestablishing the Alternative Method of Exam Competency for LBSW and LMSW applicants retaking the test.
- Promote increased compensation for Texas social workers and advocate for workforce expansion efforts that incentivize social work education and licensure, including practicum compensation programs.
  - Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement rates
  - Protecting independent clinical practices from syndicate acquisitions
  - Increasing social work services in libraries
- Advocate for adequate access to student mental health services, including preserving the scope of practice for school social workers.
- Review and enhance Texas Medicaid provider policies to increase LCSW enrollment by streamlining reimbursement, billing, and enrollment processes.
  - Allow LMSWs under supervision to bill Medicaid for services.

Equity, Health, and Human Rights
- Protect the civil rights and liberties of all Texans in addition to promoting best practices and culturally supportive environments for SOGIE-diverse social workers serving LGBTQIA+ individuals and families.
- Support culturally responsive policies within the child welfare system that ensure child safety, well-being, and development through trauma-informed practices.
- Support increased access to affordable, quality healthcare, including reproductive care and rights, with an emphasis on low-income and at-risk populations.
- Oppose efforts to remove teaching and discussions on racial discrimination in schools with respect to recognizing the importance of fostering an inclusive educational environment that values diversity, equity, and justice.