# **2024 Legislative Priorities**



## **Proof Alliance is Leading the Following Legislative Priorities:**

### **Priority: FASD-Informed Educators**

Purpose: Embed FASD education into the continuing education requirements for educators to create FASD-informed learning environments that support the learning needs of children with an FASD.

## Priority: Expand Definition of Brain Injury to include FASD

Purpose: Create consistency in Minnesota's statutes regarding brain injury definitions to align knowledge/create a shared understanding that FASD is a brain injury, often requiring access to various services depending on the individual level of need.

## **Proof Alliance is Supporting the Following Collaborative Priorities:**

#### Priority: Federal FASD Respect Act (HR 3646/S 1800)

Proof Alliance supports federal legislation to fund education, awareness, and services across community agencies and systems of care for infants and adults. This legislation provides funding to state and tribal systems for FASD services throughout the lifespan.

Priority: Increase Access to Essential Supports and Services in Minnesota Proof Alliance supports legislation that will improve access and eligibility to state and county services to support individuals with an FASD.

### Priority: Increase Accessibility and Expand Services to Provide Substance Use **Treatment for Pregnant People in Minnesota**

Proof Alliance supports legislation that will improve access and maintain funding for systems of care that provide treatment and support for pregnant people at risk of having a child with an FASD.

## **How did Proof Alliance Identify its 2024 Legislative Priorities?**

- Annual constituent survey
- National FASD and Education Survey
- Assessed past legislative wins
- Reviewed affiliate organizations' legislative successes across the nation

#### **Become an Advocate:**



- FASD ADVOCACY DAY
- March 7, 2024, 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Minnesota State Capitol

