



Legislative Priority Consideration Tool 2012 - 2013 Session

Issues to Consider:

- Will this have an impact on oral health?
- Is it aligned with the NH Oral Health Plan: A Framework for Action?
- Will this Bill have an impact on the NHOHC mission or goals?
- Will this bill have a negative or positive impact? Why?
- Will this bill have a meaningful impact on access?
- Will this bill enhance existing oral health programs?
- Should the NHOHC develop a position?
- Will that position impact collaborative relationships?
- Considering limited resources, would NHOHC involvement provide a meaningful difference?

Legislative Ranking Priority

High Importance

- Bills that are top priorities and will have a direct impact on oral health and the NHOHC policy agenda. May have key opposing positions.
- NHOHC will focus major attention on these bills through development of a base of data and information, contacting legislators, providing testimony, communicating with key stakeholders and organizing grass roots activities.
- NHOHC may release a position statement or Op Ed.

Importance

- Bills that may have a direct or indirect impact on oral health, which require monitoring of status. May have little or no opposition of opinion.
- Policy Committee will build a base of data and information around bill and apprise members of the important developments throughout the legislative process.
- NHOHC may release a position statement or Op Ed.

Low Importance

- Little or no relative impact on oral health but could impact public health overall.
- NHOHC will review and determine if an action plan is needed.