

APA Official Actions

Position Statement on Health Care

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Issue:

The United States needs to move towards seeing health care, including mental health care, as a basic human right.

APA Position:

The American Psychiatric Association (APA) believes that Health Care, inclusive of mental health care, is a human right.

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