

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

Beneficiary Advisory Committee (BAC) Application Form

The Beneficiary Advisory Committee (BAC) will identify critical issues to present to the Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) and Nebraska Medicaid program and provide direct feedback to help influence Medicaid policy and administration.

Contact Information						
Name:						
Address:						
City:			State:		Zip:	
Phone Number:	Email Address:				Fax:	
Committee Membership Details						
How are you connected with the Nebraska Medicaid program? (Check all that apply): ☐ I'm currently enrolled in Medicaid ☐ I used to be enrolled in Medicaid ☐ I'm a family member or caregiver of someone enrolled or who used to be enrolled in Medicaid						
What is your age group? ☐ 18-21 ☐ 22-30	□ 31-45	□ 46-55	□ 56-64	□ 65+		
Do you have children under 1 ☐ Yes ☐ No	8 in your care?					
Do you consider yourself to be an individual living with a disability or a caregiver to an individual living with a disability? ☐ Yes ☐ No						
Which role(s) are you interested in? □ BAC Member □ BAC and MAC Member □ BAC Leadership						
Why are you interested in ser	ving on this com	mittee?				

What skills and/or experience do you feel would make you a valuable member of this committee?				
Thinking about your interactions with Nebraska Medicaid, please share one or more things that have been particularly helpful or effective. Then, share one or more things that could be improved.				
How did you hear about the BAC? ☐ Email or newsletter				
□ Community organization				
□ A friend or family member				
☐ Current or past BAC or MAC member ☐ Other				

Please review the BAC Members Guidelines on the third page of this application.

Send your completed application to DHHS.MACandBAC@Nebraska.gov

BAC Member Guidelines

Purpose - The Beneficiary Advisory Committee (BAC) is here to make sure Medicaid works for Nebraskans. We do this by:

- 1. Giving people a real voice in how Medicaid is run
- 2. Sharing ideas on how to improve Medicaid programs and services
- 3. Listening carefully to what people need and want from the Medicaid program
- 4. Advising the Medicaid program on important topics like:
 - What services Medicaid covers and how those services could be better
 - How to make sure people get the care they need, when they need it
 - · Making sure the care people get is high-quality
 - Making it easier to sign up for Medicaid and stay enrolled
 - · How to communicate better with people who use Medicaid and the people who provide care
 - · Making sure everyone gets fair and equal access to care, no matter their background or language
 - Ensuring people can get the services they need
 - · Any other issues that affect people's health and well-being

Compostition – The BAC is made up of a diverse group of people with experience in the Nebraska Medicaid Program. This includes current and past members, their family members, and caregivers. Voting members are verified committee members who share their experiences as beneficiaries. Non-voting members include representatives from state departments, key stakeholders, and the public, offering expertise to support the committee's work.

The BAC will receive staff support from Nebraska Medicaid to perform its work. The Nebraska Medicaid program pledges to actively listen to the BAC's advice and will explain its reasons whenever the advice might not be taken.

The public is welcome to attend BAC meetings and will be able to provide comments near the end of meetings.

Expectations – As a member of the BAC or MAC, we expect you to:

- Come to meetings prepared to share your thoughts and ideas
- Attending meetings regularly
- Share your unique experiences
- Participate in discussions
- Listen respectfully to others and work collaboratively
- · Commit to serving your full three-year term, if possible
- Inform the committee of any potential conflicts of interest and refrain from voting on those issues

As a leadership member of the BAC, we expect you to:

- · Commit extra time
- · Assist with preparing meeting documents
- Work with the Medicaid program
- · Commit to serving a one-year term, if possible
- Any other duties as necessary

Compensation – As a member of the BAC, you are eligible to receive compensation for your time spent in meetings and reimbursement for transportation. To receive compensation, submit a Beneficiary Advisory Committee Compensation Form to the Medicaid point of contact after each meeting.