New Mexico Health Care Authority

Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC)

How We Choose Council Members

We aim to include a wide range of voices from across the state, especially people who reflect the communities Medicaid serves.

Here's how the process works:

- **We announce open spots:** Opportunities to join are shared on this website and through local organizations, clinics, and community networks.
- You submit an application: We ask about your background, interests, and experience.
- **We review applications carefully:** A selection group looks for people from different regions, cultures, and life experiences.
- **We invite selected applicants to join:** Members serve for a two-year term and attend regular meetings.

Who Can Join?

BAC Members must be:

- Current or recent Medicaid members
- Parents, guardians, or caregivers of Medicaid members

Choosing Council Leaders

Each council selects its own leaders, including a Chair and Vice Chair. These members help guide meetings, support group discussions, and work closely with the Medicaid agency.

The leadership selection process:

- 1. Members are nominated (or can nominate themselves).
- 2. The group votes.
- 3. Leaders are chosen by majority vote and serve for a specific term.

Leadership roles are open to any current member and are a great way to take on more responsibility within the council.

We Value Openness and Participation

We're committed to keeping the process fair and accessible. Every year, we review our recruitment and leadership processes to make improvements.

You'll always find the following on this website:

- How to apply for the BAC
- A list of current members
- Council leadership info
- Meeting notes and updates

If you want to help shape the future of Medicaid in our state, we encourage you to get involved.

