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# **Medicaid Advisory Committee**

## **Member Handbook**

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## Welcome

Congratulations on your appointment to the Medicaid Advisory Committee! We appreciate your willingness to serve and commitment to help make Medicaid boring again.

The MAC was created under [IC 12-15-33](#), in compliance with [42 CFR § 431.12](#), to act in an advisory capacity to the office in matters related to policy development and in the effective administration of the Medicaid program.

### **IC 12-15-33-12 Reporting requirement**

On or before July 1, 2027, and July 1 biennially thereafter, the commission shall submit a report to the executive director of the legislative services agency, in an electronic format under [IC 5-14-6](#), for review by the interim committee on government in accordance with [IC 1-1-15.5-4](#) and [IC 2-5-1.3-13\(g\)](#). The report shall describe:

- (1) official action taken; and
- (2) actionable items considered;

by the commission during the preceding two (2) years.

## MAC Member Appointments

**The Medicaid Director will serve as a member and the chair of the Medicaid Advisory Committee.**

**Six (6)** members representing Medicaid providers, with no more than one (1) representative of each Medicaid type.

No.	Name	Association/Title	Provider Type, if applicable
1	Terry Cole	Indiana Hospital Association CFO	Hospitals
2	Donna Elbrecht	Easterseals of Northeastern Indiana CEO	Waiver Provider
3	Richard Nussle	Indiana Osteopathic Association Executive Director	Osteopathic Medicine
4	Kent Rodgers	CarDon & Associates Advisor to the Board of Directors	Assisted Living & Nursing Facilities
5	Sarah Bosslet	Indiana Pediatric Association/Traders Point Pediatrics	Pediatric Medicine
6	Zoe Frantz	Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers President & CEO	Mental Health Centers

**Two (2)** members representing managed care entities.

No.	Name	Association/Title	Provider Type, if applicable
7	Blaire Hadley	Insurance Institute of Indiana Director of Government Relations	Managed Care Entities
8	Christina Hage	Managed Health Services (MHS) Plan President & CEO	Managed Care Entities

**Two (2)** members representing:(i) state or local consumer advocacy groups; or (ii) other community-based organizations that represent the interests of, or provide direct service to Medicaid beneficiaries.

No.	Name	Association/Title	Provider Type, if applicable
9	Kim Dodson	The Arc of Indiana CEO	Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities
10	Cara Veale	Rural Health Association CEO	Rural Health

**Six (6) members of the Medicaid beneficiary advisory commission**

No.	Name	Association/Title
11	Neil Samahon	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member
12	Kate Miller	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member
13	Gale Everett	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member
14	Abigail Beckham	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member
15	Mindi Ramsey	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member
16	Chris Grosse	Beneficiary Advisory Commission Member

**Four Members of the Senate:**

No.	Name	Association/Title
17	Sen Jean Leising	State Senator District 42
18	Sen Ed Charbonneau	State Senator District 5
19	Sen Fady Qaddoura	State Senator District 30
20	Sen Shelli Yoder	State Senator District 40, Minority Caucus Leader

**Four Members of the House of Representatives:**

No.	Name	Association/Title
21	Rep Brad Barrett	State Representative District 56
22	Rep Ed Clere	State Representative District 72
23	Rep Chris Campbell	State Representative District 26
24	Rep Robin Shackelford	State Representative District 98

**Four Ex Officio Members:**

No.	Name	Association/Title
25	Mitch Roob	Administrator of the Office
26	Lindsay Weaver, MD	Department of Health Commissioner
27	Megan Ornellas	DCS CFO (DCS Commissioner Designee)
28	Sarah Sailors	Division of Mental Health & Addictions Director

## Committee Logistics

MAC meetings are conducted four times per year, once per quarter. Meetings will be called by the Medicaid Director.

- Meetings will be scheduled and materials distributed quarterly.

Agenda: The agenda for each meeting will be sent to members in advance of the meeting.

- If you would like to request an agenda topic, please email [MAC@fssa.in.gov](mailto:MAC@fssa.in.gov) at least two weeks prior to a scheduled meeting.

Additional information can be found on the [Medicaid Advisory Commission webpage](#).

Please direct additional questions or concerns to [MAC@fssa.in.gov](mailto:MAC@fssa.in.gov).

## Ethics Requirement

All MAC members are subject to the State of Indiana and Office of Inspector General Code of Ethics. Completion of the OIG's Ethics Training for **special state appointees (board and commission members) is required**. The OIG training course will satisfy your obligation under the Code of Ethics to train within six weeks of your date of appointment and every two years thereafter. Completion of the entire course is mandatory. Please report your completion by sending your completion certificate to [MAC@fssa.in.gov](mailto:MAC@fssa.in.gov).

The training can be found at:

<https://www.in.gov/ig/ethics-training-links-for/special-state-appointee-board-and-commission-members-training/>

## Code of Conduct

This code of conduct establishes professional standards expected of all committee members with the purpose of ensuring integrity, accountability and public trust in Committee activities.

1. Act honestly, in good faith, and in the best interests of the Medicaid program.
2. Avoid conduct that could bring the Committee into disrepute.
3. Ensure transparency in the use of public resources.
4. Ensure all decisions are based on merit, evidence, public interest and financial stability of Medicaid programs.
5. Use official information only for authorized purposes.
6. Treat all colleagues, stakeholders, and members of the public with dignity and respect.
7. Maintain accurate and complete records.
8. Comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and internal policies.

## Indiana Code 12-15-33

Senate Enrolled Act No. 486, 2025, brought the MAC in line with CFR 42 CFR § 431.12.

[IC 12-15-33](#) dictates the framework by which the MAC operates.

<a href="#">12-15-33-1</a>	"Commission"
<a href="#">12-15-33-2</a>	Creation of commission
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<a href="#">12-15-33-7</a>	Staff support; secretary of the commission
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### **IC 12-15-33-1 "Commission"**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the Medicaid advisory commission created by this chapter.

[1992 Revision Citation: New.]

*As added by P.L. 2- 1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L. 42- 2024, SEC.85.*

### **IC 12-15-33-2 Creation of commission**

Sec. 2. The Medicaid advisory commission is created to act in an advisory capacity to the office in matters related to policy development and the effective administration of the Medicaid program.

(1) The office in the administration of the Medicaid program.

(2) The children's health policy board established by [IC 4-23-27-2](#) is responsible for directing policy coordination of children's health programs.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(a).]

*As added by P.L. 2- 1992, SEC. 9. Amended by P.L. 273- 1999, SEC.175; P.L.42-2024, SEC.86 P.L. 26- 2025, SEC.5.*

### **IC 12-15-33-3 Membership; appointment**

Sec. 3. The commission shall be appointed as follows:

(1) Sixteen (16) members shall be appointed by the administrator of the office as follows:

(A) Six (6) members representing Medicaid providers, with no more than one (1) representative of each Medicaid type.

(B) Two (2) members representing managed care entities.

(C) Two (2) members representing:

(i) state or local consumer advocacy groups; or

(ii) other community-based organizations.

that represent the interests of, or provide direct service to, Medicaid beneficiaries.

(D) Six (6) members of the Medicaid beneficiary advisory

(2) Two (2) members of the Senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate.

(3) Two (2) members of the Senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate after consultation with the minority leader of the Senate.

(4) Two (2) members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House.

(5) Two (2) members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House after consultation with the minority leader of the House.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(b).]

*As added by P.L. 2- 1992, SEC. 9. Amended by P.L. 157- 1995, SEC.1; P.L.158-1995, SEC.1; P.L.42-1995, SEC.24; P.L.109-1996, SEC.2; P.L.273-1999, SEC.176; P.L.35-2016, SEC.44; P.L.114-2018, SEC.2; P.L.140-2019, SEC.1; P.L.42-2024, SEC.87; P.L.26-2025, SEC.6.*

### **IC 12-15-33-4 Expiration of term; designation of successor**

Sec. 4. (a) Subject to subsection (b), an appointment to the commission expires in accordance with section 5 of this chapter, but a member serves until the member's successor is designated.

(b) A member of the commission serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority who appointed the member to the commission.

(c) A vacancy on the commission shall be filled by the appropriate appointing authority. An individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the unexpired term of the individual's predecessor.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(d) part.]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.42-2024, SEC.88; P.L.26-2025, SEC.7.*

### **IC 12-15-33-5 Term of office**

Sec. 5. (a) This subsection does not apply to a member of the general assembly appointed to the commission under section 3 of this chapter. Except as provided in subsection (c), an appointment to the commission is for a four (4) year term that expires as follows:

(1) For a member appointed under section 3(1)(A) or 3(1)(B) of this chapter, December 31, 2027, and every fourth year thereafter.

(2) For a member appointed under section 3(1)(C) or 3(1)(D) of this chapter December 31, 2029, and every fourth year thereafter.

(b) This subsection applies only to a member of the general assembly appointed to the commission under section 3 of this chapter. The member serves a term of two (2) years that expires June 30 of each odd-numbered year.

(c) A member described in subsection (a)(2) who is appointed to the commission in 2025 serves until the member's term expires on December 31, 2029.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(d) part.]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.42-2024, SEC.89; P.L.26-2025, SEC.8.*

### **IC 12-15-33-6 Ex officio members**

Sec. 6. The following shall serve as ex officio members of the commission:

(1) The state health commissioner or the commissioner's designee.

(2) The director of the division of mental health and addiction or the director's designee.

(3) The administrator of the office.

(4) The director of the department of child services or the director's designee.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(d) part.]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.215-2001, SEC.45; P.L.42-2024, SEC.90; P.L.26-2025, SEC.9.*

**IC 12-15-33-7 Staff support; secretary of the commission**

Sec. 7. The office shall provide staff support to the commission. The administrator of the office shall serve as secretary of the commission.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(d) part.]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.42-2024, SEC.91.*

**IC 12-15-33-8 Repealed**

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.140-2019, SEC.2; P.L.42-2024, SEC.92; P.L.26-2025, SEC.10.*

**IC 12-15-33-9 Meetings**

Sec. 9. The commission shall do the following:

(1) Meet at least four (4) times each year, one (1) time in each calendar quarter.

(2) Hold special meetings that the commission or the secretary requests.

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(f).]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.42-2024, SEC.93.*

**IC 12-15-33-9.5 Expired**

*As added by P.L.140-2019, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.227-2019, SEC.1. Expired 7-1-2021 by P.L.140-2019, SEC.3.*

**IC 12-15-33-10 Repealed**

[Pre-1992 Revision Citation: 12-1-13-1(g).]

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.9. Amended by P.L.140-2019, SEC.4. Repealed by P.L.42-2024, SEC.94.*

**IC 12-15-33-11 Reimbursement of member expenses**

Sec. 11. (a) Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by [IC 4-10-11-2.1\(b\)](#). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for mileage, traveling expenses as provided under [IC 4-13-1-4](#), and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and

procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(b) Each member of the commission who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under [IC 4-13-1-4](#) and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(c) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study Commissions established by the legislative council. Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this subsection shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

(d) Expenses paid under subsections (a) and (b) shall be paid from appropriations made to the family and social services administration.

*As added by P.L.*

## Medicaid Resources

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