

Member Advisory Panel (MAP) Informational Overview

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Member Advisory Panel (“MAP”) is to act as an advisory body to the Board of Directors, its committees, and management with respect to dental policies and relations with the dental community as outlined in Article III, Section 1 of the Washington Dental Service Bylaws.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Member Advisory Panel’s primary responsibilities include:

- Identifying and recommending to the Member Nominating Panel potential candidates for nomination to be elected as Member Directors.
- Communicating with local dental societies and others in the dental community to promote the exchange of information and ideas between member dentists and the corporation.
- Suggesting topics of interest to the membership to the MAP Chair for consideration as topics to add to the MAP agenda.
- To the extent requested by the Board Chair or President and CEO, consulting with and advising the Board of Directors (or its committees, or the corporation's management) with respect to the formulation of policies related to dental procedures, claims processing and adjudication, relations with the dental profession and other topics of interest.
- Consulting with and advising the Provider Compensation Committee on such matters within the scope of that committee’s power and duties as the chair of the PC Committee (the “PCC Chair”) may request.

MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

- The Member Advisory Panel will be comprised of 15 to 18 members chosen by the Board of Directors from a pool of candidates recommended by the Member Nominating Panel, with consideration to achieving a relative geographic representation on the panel.
- Individuals accepting positions on the panel must be willing to serve for up to three years. The maximum number of terms, per member dentist is two terms.

MAP MEETINGS

- The MAP meets in person or by an electronic equivalent four times each year.
- Members of the Advisory Panel are compensated \$1500 per meeting for their time and are reimbursed for all travel expenses. Meetings typically last half a day unless business warrants a longer meeting.
- Members may be called upon via email or phone to provide input on various topics.

AUTHORITY

The MAP is advisory in nature and does not make decisions, take actions or incur obligations on behalf of the corporation.