

# **TTAG Subcommittees and Descriptions**

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## **ACA Policy Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Melissa Gower

**DTA:** Kitty Marx

This subcommittee focuses on implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) policies specifically related to AI/ANs. For example, the three special Indian provisions on the Marketplace: 1) special enrollment periods; 2) exemption from the individual mandate; and, 3) cost sharing protections. This subcommittee also works on issues related to Medicaid expansion. Recently, the group has started exploring broader CMS policy issues, such as MACRA and the Medicare provider based rules.

## **Waivers Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Judy Goforth Parker

**DTA:** Lane Terwilliger

This subcommittee reviews Tribal waivers, provides recommendations, and develops standard terms and conditions for various waivers. The most relevant waivers this group reviews are 1915(b) (managed care waivers), 1915(c) (long term supports and services waivers), and 1115 waivers.

## **Behavioral Health Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Dave Panana

**DTA:** Bonnie Hillsberg

This subcommittee is working on a broad range of issues related to behavioral health for AI/ANs, such as billing and access to services.

## **Data Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Mark LeBeau

**DTA:** Rachel Ryan/Dr. Susan Karol

This subcommittee reviews and develops reports with Medicaid and Marketplace enrollment data specific to AI/ANs. This subcommittee collaborates with the TTAG data project.

## **Long Term Care Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Judy Goforth Parker

**DTA:** John Johns

This subcommittee focuses on all Long Terms Supports and Services (LTSS) issues facing older AI/ANs. The subcommittee collaborates with the CMS LTSS Technical Assistance Center (TAC), which generates LTSS content and webinars

## **Outreach and Education Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** John Stephens

**DTA:** Bonnie Hillsberg/Georgey Sparks

This subcommittee reviews and provides ideas for CMS outreach and education resources

## **Strategic Plan Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Ron Allen

**DTA:** Kitty Marx

This subcommittee develops the TTAG Strategic Plan, this subcommittee is not currently active but will be activated later this year.

## **Tribal Consultation Policy Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Ron Allen

**DTA:** Kitty Marx

This subcommittee focuses on CMS Tribal Consultation. Most recently, the group helped CMS revise its Tribal Consultation Policy, which was released in 2015.

## **Across State Borders Subcommittee**

**Chairperson:** Russell Begaye

**DTA:** Rachel Ryan

This subcommittee works on any issues related to AI/AN Medicaid beneficiaries receiving care outside the state where they are currently enrolled. Recently, the group has focused on resolving issues for AI/AN students attending Indian boarding schools in states where they are not enrolled in Medicaid.