

NABIP

OKLAHOMA CITY CHAPTER

APRIL 2024



FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Happy April everyone! I am writing this just after the horrible storms swept through Oklahoma last night. I hope this letter finds everyone safe and that all of your family and clients are safe too. This month we held our membership meeting at the Capitol along with the Tulsa chapter. We had a great turnout, thank you to those who were able to make it.

Last month I highlighted NABIP's ability to help each of us with our own personal and professional development journey. This month I would like to bring the mentorship program to your attention. Whether you have been in the insurance industry for years or are new, there is a place for you in this program. I believe that we are all put here to pay it forward, personally and professionally. Also, that we should never stop learning.

If you are interested in being a mentor or a mentee, please click on the link below and read up on what NABIP has to offer you for being a member:

<https://nabip.org/membership-resources/mentor-program>

Next month we will be meeting back at The Greens at our normal time and will be presenting our new board for next year. There are a few board spots left to fill and there is always room on a committee. If you interested, please reach out to anyone on the board and let them know. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you!

Theresa

FEATURED

Day at the Capitol-did you attend?
Share your feedback with us on social media!

Are you interested in joining our chapter? Now is your chance!
Could you see your company featured in our newsletter?

UPCOMING

New board members will be announced in June!

Next meeting May 9 11:30am

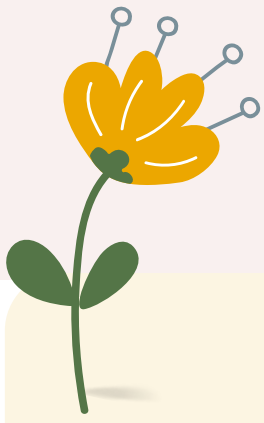
CE Opportunities:

- May 9: General: Weight Loss-Ins and Outs of Shots
- June 13: Ethics Fun!

Meetings/CE held at The Greens Country Club 13100 Green Valley Drive, OKC, 73120

[REGISTER HERE](#)

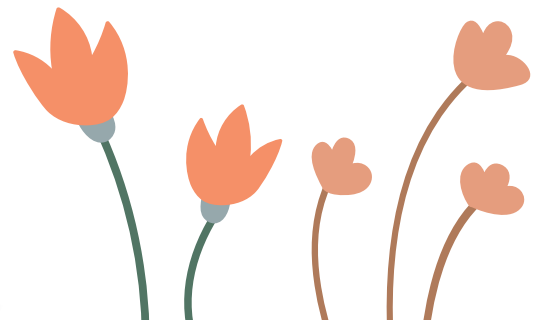
At NABIP OKC, a non-profit organization, we believe that every American should have access to private sector health solutions for health, financial, retirement security, and the services of insurance professionals. With that intent, it is our mission to educate, advocate and empower! ●



Day at the CAPITOL



The annual Day at the Capitol took place April 11 this year. The afternoon included lunch and an hour of Legislative Update CE with guest speakers from the House and Senate. Attendees got to meet with legislators after the meeting; an extremely important part of what NABIP does. Thank you to all who came out to show your support!



Day at the Capitol: Legislative Updates



A special thanks to our sponsors who made this day possible!!!



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ANNUAL CONVENTION 2024

JUNE 22-25 CHICAGO

Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago, IL 60601



Register for Annual Convention

CHICAGO



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VOTE!

Every member can vote for the person of the year. Nominees are evaluated by their activities and service to NABIP's local, state, regional and/or national efforts. Submit your vote telling why you think your vote should win Person of the Year!!

The deadline for receipt of nomination this year is May 17, 2024

Please send an email with the above information to Leah-Anne Janway,
lajnewem@gmail.com.

PAST HONOREES:

2022-2023 Comie Morgan Kitchen

2021-2022 Carrie Cox

2020-2021 Dana Nursick

2019-2020 Megan Hutton

2018-2019 Kelley Harmon

2017-2018 Ashley Goggans

2016-2017 Pat Robertson

2015-2016 Andy Bigbie

2014-2015 Tom Tacheny

2013-2014 Leah-Anne Janway

2012-2013 Comie Morgan



Your next volunteer opportunity is July 29, 2024 @ 6pm.

Toby Keith Foundation

818 N.E. 8th St

OKC, OK 73104

Contact to volunteer:

Dana@BirchallandHampton.com



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COULD YOU BE A MENTOR?

Would you be interested in BEING MENTORED in your field?

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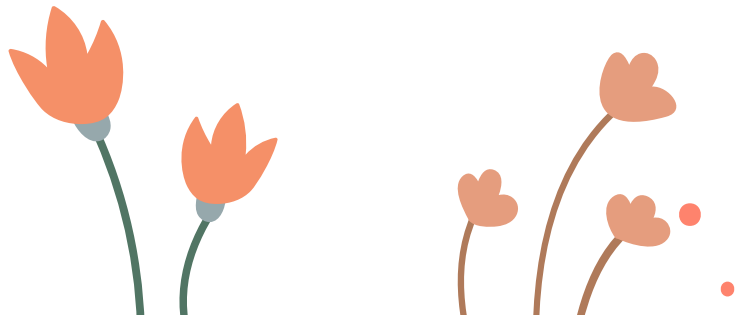


The NABIP Leadership Development Committee is dedicated to mentoring and educating health insurance professionals so that they can in turn, educate the consumers that insurance agents represent. If you are an experienced agent and would love to be a part of our efforts to help agents grow, we are looking for mentors. If that's you, click above to  more information.

If you are new in the insurance world or NABIP, or perhaps you've been in the insurance world a long time but are interested in learning about other lines of insurance, like Medicare, individual or small or large group benefits, or NABIP leadership opportunities and you  would like help and support from one of our mentors. Click the link above to get more information.

We host a quarterly Mentor Orientation/Check-in Call open to all members. If you would like to attend the next meeting on November 2 @ 4:30 pm (ET), [register here](#).

Questions can be directed to bwillson@nabip.org



Board MEMBERS



SERVE ON THE BOARD!

A new board will be inducted this June! If you are interested in joining our team, please submit your membership application (click on pg9) and let us know. Positions opening up are:

- Vice President-succession will be to President Elect, then to President, with former President as your mentor.
- Newsletter/Communications Chair-appeal to your creative side and help get the latest news and information in the hands of our readers!

* MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Come and be a part of the monthly discussions to keep up-to-date on the latest legislation impacting the health care industry. Meet with likeminded professionals and broaden your impact!

PERKS OF JOB

We are all busy professionals volunteering our time, and that is richly rewarded at NABIP OKC:

- Learn while making new friends
- Attend annual socials and holiday parties
- Attend Capitol Conference in D.C.!
- Attend National Conventions and regional meetings. *
- CE and additional training at discounted prices.

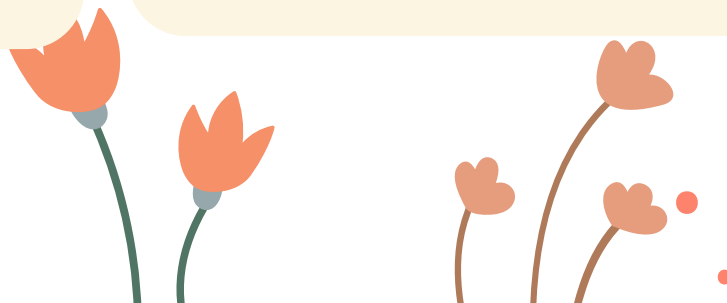
OK KIDS KORRAL

Make an impact in your community volunteering your time making a meal for Toby Keith's OK Kids Korral! A place where families can stay while their children receive the care they need.

<https://www.tobykeithfoundation.org/ok-kids-korral>

OPPORTUNITY

If your company has any volunteer/networking opportunities, let us know! We'd love to promote it and invite our members!



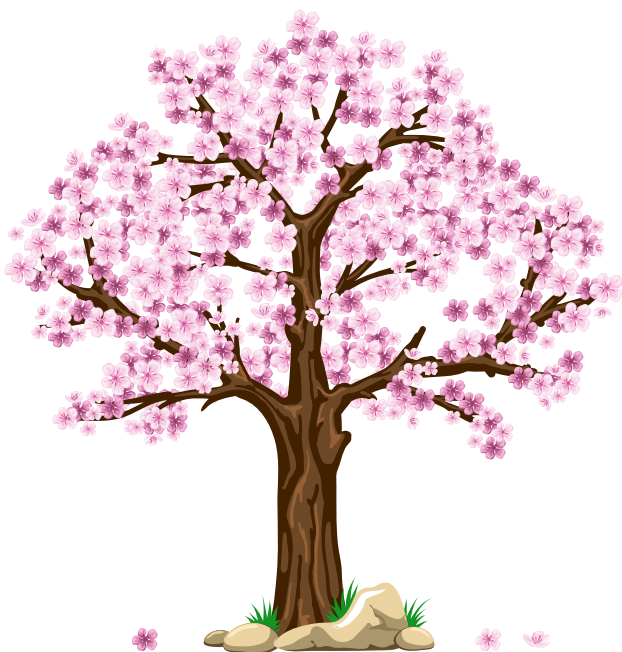
NABIP Operation Shout!

One of the primary ways we engage in advocacy for the consumer is by supporting legislation that ensures the future and stability of the insurance industry. **Through Operation Shout, you as a member have the opportunity to participate in this process.** As legislative needs arise, you will be prompted by staff to participate in Operation Shout. Participating is quick and easy. When you click on "write" you will have the option of using the message we have already created, which takes less than a minute, or composing your own. Either method is effective and sends a strong message to your member of Congress about the important issues facing us today. You can also check back at any time to view and send archived messages. When engaging in NABIP grassroots operations, remember that we are most effective when we speak with one voice.

When you meet with your federal legislators back in the districts throughout the year, we encourage you to send us your feedback on those meetings. This helps us to keep up the conversation here in Washington. If you have a personal relationship with any legislator, please let us know by filling out our grasstops survey! For more on NABIP's Government Relations operation, click here.

Interested?? [Sign up here!](#)

Don't forget there are multiple opportunities for professional development monthly from NABIP, as well as in the NABIP Benefit Specialist Institute. Find 24 hour access to online course curriculum.



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Scholarship OPPORTUNITY



ROBERT J. PHILLIPS, RHU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Administered by
National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals Oklahoma
(NABIP OK)

Eligibility

The Scholarship is academic based, intended for a student with excellent grades. This is a one time award of \$1,000.

The applicant must be a son or daughter (or step) of an Oklahoma resident member in good standing of the National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP) and National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals Oklahoma (NABIP OK).

The scholarship winner will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting of NABIP OK, usually in June with alternating years between Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

The award is to be used for the following school year (fall). The student awarded must be registered and attend as a full-time undergraduate student at an accredited college/university; proof of this is required in order to receive the money in the fall. A student can receive this award only once.



Complete Applications must be received by May 1.

Email application and attachments to:
Scholarship Committee
c/o Lisa Irby, Benefits Designs of Oklahoma
Lisa@BenefitsOK.com
Call Lisa for application and requirements:
1-918-407-1008



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Why NABIP Is the Right Choice for You

The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP) is the leading organization for health insurance and employee benefits professionals. NABIP represents more than 100,000 licensed health insurance agents, brokers, general agents, consultants and benefit professionals through more than 200 chapters across America.

Collectively, we work to ensure all Americans have access to high-quality, affordable healthcare and related benefits. To meet that vital mission, NABIP advances the interests of its members and advocates for sound public policy solutions in Washington DC and state capitals throughout the country.

As the health insurance and benefits landscape has evolved, so has the association. Still, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to our members, providing vast professional-development opportunities and resources to promote excellence, including certification programming, conferences and business-development tools.

Under the recently rebranded moniker NABIP, we are better positioned to serve as trusted advocates for our members and their clients for decades to come. As more professionals join the association, NABIP becomes even stronger.

Shaping the *Future* of Healthcare

Our new tagline reflects NABIP's belief that all Americans should be empowered to make wise healthcare and benefits decisions in order to have access to high-quality, affordable healthcare and related services.



Operation Shout

NABIP's premiere grassroots system allows members to have their voices heard by lawmakers. Operation Shout is an indispensable component of NABIP's overall legislative advocacy efforts.

What We Do

We advocate for affordable and responsible health insurance market solutions to secure the future and stability of our industry.



Compliance Corner

This online benefit provides comprehensive updates on new federal statutes and regulations in the areas of insurance, labor and taxes.

As a NABIP member, you can expect to receive:

Guidance on healthcare policy changes

Updates on developing market trends including Medicare, mergers and acquisitions, etc.

Resources and decision-making tools to help navigate the benefits and insurance market

Access to education, training and certification courses

Networking and business-development opportunities

Lobbying opportunities to support the future and stability of the industry

When it comes to your professional career, your knowledge, expertise and experience are priceless. Join the best of the best and take your career to the next level!

Join now! Please visit NABIP.org to submit a membership application today.



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LET'S TALK

Political Action Committees

PAC & OKPAC

Because there are two PACs we realize it can be confusing. A quick explanation is this – PAC is NABIP's PAC and the funds are primarily used for federal level issues. While OKPAC is Oklahoma's Brokers and Insurance Professional's PAC and the funds are used for Oklahoma State level issues.

Needless to say both PACs are vitally important to our industry as they serve their own issues. NABIP OKC Board Officers encourage all members of NABIP/NABIP OKC to contribute a minimum of \$10 a month to either PAC and/or OKPAC to protect:

1. Free-market delivery system, and
2. Our industry which in turn protects our profession

Note: To contribute to PAC you must be a member of NABIP. But did you know that a NABIP member's immediate family may also contribute as well as the staff of the NABIP member?

PAC

PAC is administered on a federal level through NABIP. To learn more about PAC, we refer you to NABIP's PAC website. To sign up for PAC, we request you use the Custom Oklahoma Registration Form and submit accordingly. [PAC Login](#)

OKPAC

The OKPAC is administered on a local level by the NABIP-OS PAC Chair. To sign up for OKPAC, you will need to complete the [PAC Contribution Form](#) and the [OK Contributors Statement](#) which the State of Oklahoma requires.

JUST SO YOU KNOW...

Only those contributing to the OKPAC are allowed to request Distributions. If you are a contributing member and wish to contribute funds to a particular candidate, please complete the [Distribution Request Form](#) and submit accordingly. The [OKPAC Flow Chart](#) was created so that no one person makes the decision as to whether or not funds will be given to a particular candidate.



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JOIN NOW



ANNUAL PARTNERS

We love to partner with companies, carriers, TPA's, and everyone else who understands the importance of working together with our Association! We value our Annual Partners! With your help, we can provide monthly meetings, symposiums, and more to educate our members, unify our industry, and strengthen our voice on both statewide and national levels.



TIERED SPONSORSHIP

We recognize that many entities plan their budget on a calendar year basis so we have listened! With our annual "tiered" sponsorship levels, you can plan your budget accordingly.

RECOGNITION!

We love to promote your company!! Use this opportunity to increase your exposure at our local events and strengthen your business relationships.

PARTNER PERKS

- Company Logo featured here and on our chapter website!
- Member attendance pricing at any monthly chapter meeting
- Product exhibition table at any membership meeting
- Opportunity to introduce company and products at one member meeting
- Present a CE class!

ARE YOU READY??

To become an annual sponsor, contact Leah-Anne at LAJNewem@gmail.com or find the [enrollment form here.](#)





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