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America's Healthcare Choices Depend on Agents and Brokers

The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals' (NABIP) licensed health insurance agents and brokers provide an essential service to Americans. NABIP members serve the health insurance needs of businesses, families, and individuals, helping consumers balance the desire for comprehensive coverage with the realities of rising medical costs.

NABIP members protect the voices of consumers – ensuring Americans get access to the quality care they deserve.

Representing more than **100,000 agents and brokers** nationwide across **150+ state and local chapters**, NABIP members are part of the fabric of our nation's communities – serving as the trusted advisors Americans depend on. In fact, agents and brokers have a **92 percent approval rating** when helping healthcare consumers.

Here's how NABIP Agents and Brokers Make a Difference in Massachusetts

In the Words of Medicare Beneficiaries

Navigating the Complexity of Medicare: Support in Selecting the Right Plan

⁴My agent was great to work with. She found me great coverage at a better price. She emailed me when the coverage was approved.²⁷

"The knowledge that my broker had was very helpful when it came time to make a decision with regard to my plan."

"My agent helped me through the process. I am a stroke victim and she went through everything to give me the best experience."



In the Words of Agents and Brokers

Impact on Medicare Clients

"The average feedback is, 'there is no way I would have been able to figure this out without you. Thank you so much for helping me and helping me understand this. You are a blessing!'"

Financial Impact on Agents

"The removal of commissions for some plans, like Wellcare's Part D, significantly impacts agents' ability to support clients. For some small agencies, this loss amounts to tens of thousands of dollars annually, forcing staff layoffs or reduced client services."

Challenges with Medicare Marketing, Rules, and Systemic Issues: Insights and Suggestions

" Tele sales agents are not subject to the same rules as independent agents, such as the 48-hour waiting period for scopes, creating additional challenges for agents serving non-English-speaking clients."

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NABIP Members:



Are highly trained, licensed professionals with required continuing education

Navigate confusing and complex healthcare choices for Americans

Fight for access, care and coverage for consumers

> Help people avoid costly mistakes when purchasing and accessing care

Select plan based on the consumer's need

> **Provide peace of** mind for consumers



Act as an essential voice for Americans

For more voices of consumers and other testimonials, visit www.brokersmakingadifference.org

