**2022 COMMITTEE STRUCTURE**

The MHCA committee structure continues to be aligned with the MHCA strategic plan.

Participating on committees is often cited by members as an avenue to getting the most out of their MHCA membership and we believe members benefit from the rewarding work accomplished by the committees and workgroups. We hope you will spread the word and consider serving in this way!

**To be considered for an MHCA committee,   
submit an application by November 16, 2021**

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## Advocacy Committee

This committee ensures MHCA maintains its broad focus on advocacy. Responsible for monitoring and advocating for state and federal legislation and overseeing regulatory advocacy, this committee will also lead MHCA grassroots advocacy efforts and host MHCA Day at the Capitol. Members are expected to attend Day at the Capitol and actively communicate with their state legislators and members of the MN Congressional Delegation. **A representative from each of the following workgroups will be a member of the Advocacy Committee and ensure pertinent advocacy issues are shared between the committee and the workgroup.**

**Meeting Frequency:** It is expected that the Advocacy Committee will have 9-11 meetings per year and the following workgroups will meet at least four times per year (this may vary by workgroup).

**DHS Liaison Workgroup**

This workgroup will build on MHCA’s relationship with DHS and track issues, updates, and information regarding MN Department of Human Services (DHS) policy and troubleshoot issues as patterns are identified. The DHS Workgroup will take the lead in tracking EVV and CFSS implementation and keeping members up-to-date, as well as ensuring the Advocacy Committee is aware of necessary advocacy needed around these transitions. This committee will recommend additional educational topics for MHCA members and provide timely updates to the membership on all DHS-related topics.

**MDH Liaison Workgroup**

A small group of members will serve as Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on MDH policy issues that arise, working with MHCA staff and the Advocacy Committee, as needed.

**Medicare Liaison Workgroup**

This workgroup will serve as MHCA’s liaison on all Medicare issues, including CMS and NGS. They will serve as the MHCA Medicare Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), write comment letters and advise the Advocacy Committee on federal policy and reimbursement issues. As we strive to get more information to our members in a timely manner, this group of members will help track issues and information regarding CMS and Medicare policy, develop resources and identify educational topics for members. This will include ensuring members have information on how to prepare for Value Based Purchasing (VBP).

**Payer Liaison Workgroup** (VA, MCOs, health plans)

This workgroup will track payment related challenges that home care providers are facing with payers and work to develop stronger relationships with payers. Lead solution-focused discussions with payers and provide information and resources to MHCA members.

**Workforce Workgroup**

This workgroup will lead MHCA’s workforce initiatives, with a focus on nursing and home health aides. They will advocate for home care inclusion in academic programs and clinical experiences with agencies, legislative initiatives that propose solutions that will positively impact home care staffing and collaborate in appropriate workforce initiatives.

**The Advocacy Committee and the workgroups listed above will together be responsible for the following MHCA Strategic Plan goal:**

* **Be the Influential Voice of Home Care**

**Clinical, Rehab and Regulatory Committee**

*Members include nurses and therapists*

Develop and implement a plan to support members with regulatory compliance and quality improvement, including tools, resources and best practices. Resources will be identified and developed for various home care professionals. Stay current on survey and quality trends and inform and advise the Advocacy Committee on home care related public policy. This committee may choose to form applicable, strategic-driven workgroups to address home health developments such as Telehealth, Review Choice Demonstration and Hospital at Home.

**This committee is responsible for portions of this MHCA goal:**

* **Enhance member resources**

**Meeting Frequency:** 9-11 meetings per year

**Member Relations & Education Committee**

Assess MHCA membership trends and member needs to determine education and benefits that will enhance member value. Provide guidance on MHCA educational programming. Participate in membership recruitment, retention and engagement activities. Study home care and association trends and identify revenue diversification options, member categories and dues structure that are in alignment.

**This committee is responsible for portions of these MHCA Goals:**

* **Enhance Member Resources**
* **Enhance Organizational Sustainability**

**Meeting Frequency:** 4-6 meetings per year

**Logistics**

* The term is January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022.
* The meetings will be held virtually or at the MHCA office in Arden Hills, except for the Advocacy Committee, which may meet at the MHCA Lobbyist’s St. Paul office.
* Each committee appointment is **individual vs. organizational** based, although the individual does need to work for a member organization. Meetings are only open to individuals appointed to the committee/workgroup, unless invited by the Chair or staff for an agenda item.
* Your voice is important, and we ask that members be conscientious about attendance.
* Individuals can serve on one committee, unless openings remain.
* The committee and workgroups assignments will be made to ensure that MHCA is staying up-to-date on issues pertaining to all members and moving the MHCA strategic plan forward. Individual expertise and agency types will be taken into consideration.

Please apply online for committee and workgroup opportunities at:

[**http://www.mnhomecare.org/committees**](http://www.mnhomecare.org/committees)

**More Networking Opportunities Offered Through Meet-up Groups**

* Rehab Meetup
* DEI Meetup
* Billers Meetup