



# MAC/BAC Final Rule

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# § 431.12 – Final Rule

Rules effective July 9, 2025

- States are required to make updates to the Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) and establish a new Beneficiary Advisory Council (BAC);
- Establishment of the revised MAC and new BAC: 1 year after the effective date of the final rule.
- The MAC and BAC will provide feedback on topics like:
  - Additions and changes to services;
  - Coordination of care;
  - Quality of services;
  - Access to services;
  - Eligibility, enrollment, and renewal processes; and
  - Beneficiary and provider communications by State Medicaid agency.

# MAC Changes

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## Meeting Requirements

- MAC will be required to meet quarterly vs. semi-annually
- Development of an Annual Report
  - Detailing activities
  - Topics discussed and recommendations
  - State responses to recommended actions
- Service Term
  - The state is seeking feedback on term lengths –
    - The state has proposed a 3-year term.
    - Terms can not be consecutive, and members must be appointed on a rotating and continuous basis.
- Expressions of interest to serve on the new MAC may be sent to [Ashley.Laving@state.sd.us](mailto:Ashley.Laving@state.sd.us)

## Medicaid Advisory Committee

- 25% of MAC members must come from the BAC
- Remaining committee members must include representation from at least one of each of the following:
  - State or local consumer advocacy groups or other community-based organizations (CBOs) that represent the interests of, or provide direct service, to Medicaid beneficiaries.
  - Clinical providers or administrators who are familiar with the health and social needs of Medicaid beneficiaries and with the resources available and required for their care. This includes providers or administrators of primary care, specialty care, and long-term care.
  - DSS and other state agencies that serve Medicaid beneficiaries as ex-officio, non-voting members.