



APPLICATION FOR BCCHC MEMBERSHIP

People from all sectors of the community are invited to join as voting members of the Bernalillo County Community Health Council . You do not have to be an official voting member to participate in our meetings, but you will be able to vote on the slate of officers for the Board (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer), and on issues of importance regarding our activities. Our bylaws specify the following eligibility requirements and rights of members:

Article 3: Section 1. Eligibility for membership: Application for membership shall be open to anyone who lives or works in Bernalillo County who supports the purpose of the Council [SEE REVERSE] and who has attended at least three general or committee meetings within a period of five months. All new members shall submit a **letter of interest** to Council staff ...[THIS FORM SERVES AS YOUR LETTER OF INTEREST]. Members may be approved by the Board of Directors at regularly scheduled meetings or electronically between meetings.

Section 2. Rights of members: Each individual member shall be eligible to vote on those matters referred to the membership by the Board of Directors. All members have the right to voice their opinion and to be respected in discussions of relevance to Council activities.

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND SEND TO MARSHA at mcavila.bcchc@comcast.net

NAME _____ JOB TITLE _____

ORGANIZATION _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE (indicate cell/work/home) _____

Please describe your reasons for wanting to be a member:

What relevant work background and/or life experiences can you offer the health council?

What type of organization and/or sector of the community do you represent?

What skills/talents would you like to offer?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN BEING A BCCHC MEMBER!



HEALTH COUNCIL VISION

A community that supports the ability of everyone to meet his or her full potential



HEALTH COUNCIL MISSION

To improve the health and quality of life in Bernalillo County through coalition building, health assessment and planning, and convening community action

Bernalillo County Community Health Council (BCCHC) serves as a resource and convener for anyone working to improve the health and well-being of all Bernalillo County residents, including organizations, institutions, and individuals who work to create the conditions needed for health in the neighborhoods where we live, work, learn and play.

The Health Council focuses on the following desired results:

- **Healthy and sustainable communities** where all families and individuals have their basic needs met and prosper.
- **Improved health and education outcomes** for children/youth from pregnancy to age 25.
- **Improved healthcare access** and quality of service for uninsured and indigent populations for both physical and behavioral health.

CURRENT INITIATIVES INCLUDE:

Bernalillo County Opioid Accountability Initiative - reducing opioid overdose deaths through prevention, treatment, access to naloxone, and law enforcement/criminal justice strategies. A collective impact initiative, administered by BCCHC with funding from Bernalillo County, NM Human Services Dept/Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, and NM Dept of Health/Epidemiology & Response Division.

Healthy Here: Communities Leading Health Change - reducing chronic disease in the International District and South Valley through access to healthy food, physical activity, and community/clinical linkages. A collective impact initiative, partially funded by CDC, of BCCHC, Presbyterian Center for Community Health, and multiple community partners.

Accountable Health Communities – addressing the social determinants of health of Medicaid/Medicare beneficiaries with support from CHWs and aligning the healthcare and social services systems in Bernalillo County. A CMS-funded initiative of Presbyterian Center for Community Health, UNM Health Sciences Center, and BCCHC.

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