

HEALTH INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Through this Committee, the Association monitors IDB activities and policies related to the Health and Life Insurance Plans and ensures compliance with the provisions established in the Health Benefits Manual. The regulations of the Health Insurance Plan stipulate that the President of the Retirees Association, currently Isabel Larson, who also serves as Coordinator of this Committee, represents the interests of all retirees on the IDB Health Insurance Program Committee.

During 2021, the Association, through this Committee, carried out a survey of its members residing in the United States to complement the survey done by the Membership and Chapters Committee of members living outside the United States. The purpose of these surveys was to get members' opinions regarding the performance of our health insurance plan administrator. Revealing ongoing problems, particularly with those living outside the U.S. with reimbursement for eligible health expenses as well as the explanation of the benefits, the results of this survey were shared with the membership in the [December newsletter](#).

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee has been proactively engaging with the IDB Human Resources Department. It also provided resources to members inquiring about Medicare Advantage plans, explaining the difference between Medicare and Medicare Advantage.

Membership: Committee members include President Isabel Larson (Coordinator), Directors Álvaro Beca, Tomás Engler, Laura Guarnieri, and Patricia Meduña, as well as Sixto Aquino. From January to May 2021, former Vice President Claudia D. Perraза also served on this Committee.