



NASWA Unemployment Insurance Committee

“UI agencies around the country are looking for opportunities for improvement, and NASWA drives these ideas forward at a national level.”

Jamie Suber
Past Chair

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMITTEE

The NASWA Unemployment Insurance (UI) Committee serves as a forum for State Unemployment Insurance Directors or their designees to discuss state input on unemployment insurance policies, performance requirements, administrative funding, and ways to strengthen the state-federal UI system.

COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES

Advise and Communicate with NASWA Board of Directors.

Recommend legislative priorities and alert the NASWA Board of Directors of changes in policy or operations that impact the states.

Respond to Policy Proposals. Provide recommendations and comments on policy proposals from Congress and the U.S. Department of Labor.

Share Promising Practices. Provide opportunities for the states to learn about promising practices implemented by other state workforce agencies.

Strengthen Partnership with U.S. Department of Labor. The Committee strives for state consensus on issues and communicates state unemployment insurance concerns to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Collaborate with NASWA Committees. Work with other NASWA Committees and groups on issues related to unemployment insurance.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The NASWA Unemployment Insurance Committee generally holds four in-person meetings each Association Year. In addition, the Committee features two subcommittees: the Policy and Interstate Benefits Subcommittees. Committee members have opportunities to present and help develop content for NASWA meetings and conferences.

MEMBER RESOURCES

Disaster Unemployment Assistance Resources

State Shared Resources

Committee Policy Statements Parental Leave, Reform Extended Benefits, Integrity, UI Programming, and BAM Overpayment

NASWA Services Knowledge Exchange Library, NASWA Learning, UI Integrity Center, UI Interstate Connection Network (ICON), and UI State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES)

You can access these resources with a member account login on the [UI Committee pages](#) of the [NASWA website](#).

JOIN THE COMMITTEE

NASWA Administrators are required to submit an email request to appoint staff to NASWA Committees. Appointments to the NASWA UI Committee can be emailed to naswa@naswa.org. Please include the appointed staff contact information and specify the NASWA UI Committee.