



NABIP-TX eNews

Monthly Publication

Hollis - Hutzler

NABIP-TX Opens Nominations for Scholarship and Award

HOLLIS ROBERSON SCHOLARSHIP FOR ENHANCED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Selection will be made without regard to the applicant's race, color, ethnic origin, religion, belief, gender, marital status or physical handicap, in accordance with Title IX of the Education Amendments, and with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act 011973.

Submission of completed application and all documentation required under the guidelines below should be sent to Hollis Roberson Scholarship, NABIP-TX Honoree Corporation, 312 North Avenue East, Suite 5, Cranford, NJ 07016.

- Applicant must be a member of NABIP and NABIP-TX
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- A second Scholarship can be received in addition to the three above in the amount of \$500 for achieving the designation of Registered Employee Benefits Consultant (REBEC) from NABIP.
- Eligibility year will be based on calendar year. Completed application(s) must be received by March 31st of the following year. LE scholars applied for time period 01-01-2023 through 12-31-2023 must be received by 3-31-2025.
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Application

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Local Chapter: _____

NABIP Certification or Designation Applying for: _____

Please attach receipt of payment and proof of passage. Proof of passage must include date of completion for Certifications and date of earning for Designations.

Shirley Hutzler Excellence in Legislation Award Nomination Form

2025 NABIP-TX Outstanding Legislation Industry Award



The basis of NABIP-TX's legislative groundwork was created by Shirley Hutzler in her years of dedicated service to our industry and our association. She became involved in legislative affairs in 1991 while serving as NABIP-TX's Vice President. Her legislative involvement has included acting as volunteer liaison to the Texas Legislature and the TID, serving on panels, working before committees and making presentations to NABIP-TX chapters across the state. Shirley accepted the position of NABIP-TX's Advocate in 1996 and served in that capacity until 2002. Shirley has also held many association offices including NABIP President 1996-1991, NABIP-TX President 1994-1993, Region VI Vice President 1993-1995. Her hard work and dedication has also earned her numerous recognitions including the NABIP Shirley Hutzler Award, NABIP-TX Volunteer of the Year, NABIP-TX Most Outstanding Texas, Three NABIP-TX Distinguished Service Awards, NABIP Lifetime Award under her NABIP-TX Presidency, NABIP-TX Hollis Roberson Award 1993 and was the first recipient of the NABIP-TX Shirley Hutzler Excellence in Legislation award. When presented with this award her response was what many have heard her say before, "It is incredible to be so recognized and honored for doing something I love so much."

The recipient of this award is selected by the Hutzler award committee which carefully reviews all persons nominated. In making its selection, the committee looks for contributions above and beyond the call of duty, without personal gain. Your recommendations must be supported by an accompanying statement that details the accomplishments of your candidate to include present and former positions, connections with health insurance, biographical information and of course importance, the specific accomplishment that truly set your candidate to this prestigious award. Please Note: only state board members (which include local presidents and previous Legislative Excellence Award recipients) can submit nominations.

Please complete this form and return to the NABIP-TX office by **December 15th at 5pm**

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Submitter: _____ Local Chapter: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Submitted By: _____

Board Position: _____

Phone: _____

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The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals – Texas (NABIP-TX) is proud to announce that nominations are now being accepted for two prestigious honors that support both industry professionals and students, while recognizing excellence in service and leadership.

The Hollis Roberson Scholarship

This scholarship is designed to help NABIP members who have earned a NABIP designation or certification advance their career in the health insurance industry. The award provides financial assistance to recipients so they can continue advancing their professional knowledge and expertise, ensuring they remain strong advocates for clients and the industry.

The Shirley Hutzler Legislative Excellence Award

This distinguished award honors individuals who have shown outstanding dedication to legislative advocacy in the health insurance industry. The Shirley Hutzler Legislative Excellence Award highlights the importance of public policy engagement and celebrates those who have made a significant impact in protecting and promoting the role of health insurance professionals.

NABIP-TX invites all members and stakeholders to submit nominations for these scholarships and awards. Each honor represents a unique way to support education, recognize talent, and celebrate leadership within our industry and communities.

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City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____

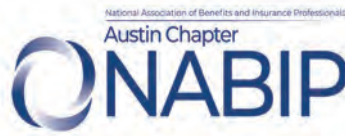
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Chapter Agendas

AUSTIN

www.austinahu.org



Margaritas with the Meroneys-1 hour CE
Legislation Update

CHAPALA Mexican Cuisine & Tequila Bar

October 16, 2025
3:30 PM - 6:00 PM
[Add to Calendar](#)

Casa Chapala
9041 Research Blvd, Ste. 100
Austin, TX 78759
[Venue website](#)
[Directions](#)

REGISTER NOW

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Margaritas with the Meroneys

Join us for a 1-hour CE Legislative Update with Mike and Shannon Meroney.

When: October 16, 2025

Where: Casa Chapala
Address: 9041 Research Blvd. #100,
Austin, TX 78759
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Tickets

\$45.00 Member Registration
\$45.00 Guest Registration

EAST TEXAS

www.nabip-etx.org



NABIP-ETX October Happy Hour →

When: **October 16, 2025**
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CST)
Location: Javi's - 7212 Old
Jacksonville Hwy, Tyler,
TX 75703

[Register](#)



[Show details >>](#)

NABIP-ETX October Monthly Luncheon -Mike and Shannon Meroney →

When: **October 17, 2025**
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
(CST)
Location: Heartland Security
Insurance Group, 501
Shelley Drive, Tyler, TX
75701 - Main Floor
Conference Room

[Register](#)



DALLAS

www.nabip-dallas.org



One hour of CE! Provider #: 224650 / Course ID: 143021

October 15 2025 | Legal Tips and Sips with the Meroneys
TK's Comedy Club, 14854 Montfort Dr., Dallas, TX 75254
4pm - 6pm | 1 hour of CE

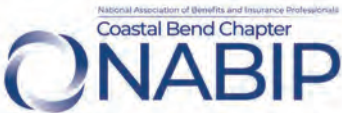
If you would like to get involved as a VOLUNTEER or SPONSOR for any of the events, please complete and submit the appropriate form.

[VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES](#)

[SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES](#)

COASTAL BEND

www.nabipcoastalbendtx.org



Feed the City Bedford

October 11 @ 8:30 am - 10:30 am

Join us for a fulfilling volunteer experience at Feed The City Bedford. Tango Charities organizes this event, which focuses on preparing and distributing meals to those in need within our community.

About Feed The City:

Feed The City, organized by Tango Charities, is dedicated to combating hunger by engaging volunteers to prepare meals for local communities. To learn more about Feed The City Bedford, please visit [Feed The City Bedford](#).

 [ADD TO CALENDAR](#) 

DETAILS

Date:
October 11

Time:
8:30 am - 10:30 am

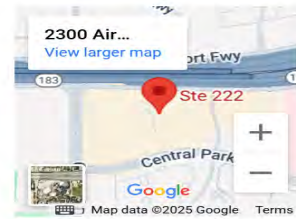
Series:
Feed the City Bedford

ORGANIZER

Tango Charities

VENUE

Boomerjack's
2300 Airport Fwy Ste 222
Bedford, TX 76022 United States + [Google Map](#)



LONESTAR

www.lonestarahu.org

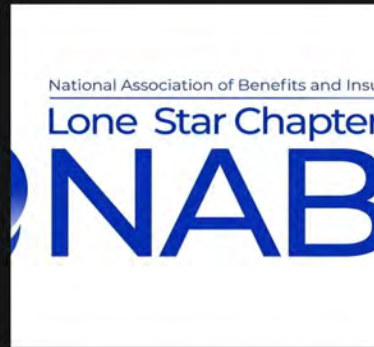


LONESTAR CE SCHEDULE



OCTOBER 14TH - 1PM

Carla Adams - with Isolved
1 HR CE - Can You Really Do That with an HRA?



NOVEMBER 12TH - 10AM

Heather C Garcia with the ETC Companies
1HR CE#141622
Penalty Enforcement Roadmap
Look for more information coming soon.,

[REGISTER HERE](#) >

HOUSTON

www.nabip-htx.org



Q4 Social Event



October 03, 2025 | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
[Add to Calendar](#)
Holey Moley | 3839 Wesleyan St. Suite 101 Houston, TX 77027
[Directions](#)

Post Share Save

REGISTER NOW

Q4 SOCIAL EVENT

Tickets

\$25.00 FIRST 25 REGISTRANTS!!
\$40.00 REGULAR TICKET
\$300.00 EVENT SPONSOR

Friday, October 3, 2025

3:00PM – 5:00PM

Holey Moley
3839 Wesleyan St.
Suite 101
Houston, TX 77027

First 25 Registrants: \$25

SAN ANTONIO

www.sanantonioahu.org



Register for NABIP San Antonio -Golf Tournament - Sept 25th - Registration Closes on Sept 19th! on September 25, 2025

Account Login

Email, Member ID, or Username :

Password:

Don't have an account?

CONTINUE AS GUEST

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September 25, 2025
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

NABIP-SOTX Legislative Update

11/13/25



Get ready as NABIP-SOTX
host its 2025 Legislative Luncheon.
We will discuss events happening
in Austin and Washington.

Speakers, Times, and Location to TBD



Casino / Bus Trip
to Eagle Pass, TX

2026 Day of Education

That's Right,
we're taking our
Day of Education
on the road in
2026!



Join us for a unique Charter Bus CE Tour
to Eagle Pass, TX, as we head to the
Kickapoo Lucky Eagle Hotel & Casino!

Our journey will begin in McAllen, TX,
departing around noon on a Friday.
During the 5-hour ride, you'll complete
three (3) Continuing Education (CE) courses. We'll arrive at the casino
around 5:30 PM, giving you the evening to enjoy the slot machines,
bingo room, or just relax.

Overnight accommodations will be available at the casino hotel. On
Saturday at noon, we'll board the bus for the return trip, featuring two
(2) additional CE courses on the way back to McAllen.

More details and the official date will be announced soon!
Schedule subject to changes.



2025 NABIP-Dallas Sales Rockstar Symposium





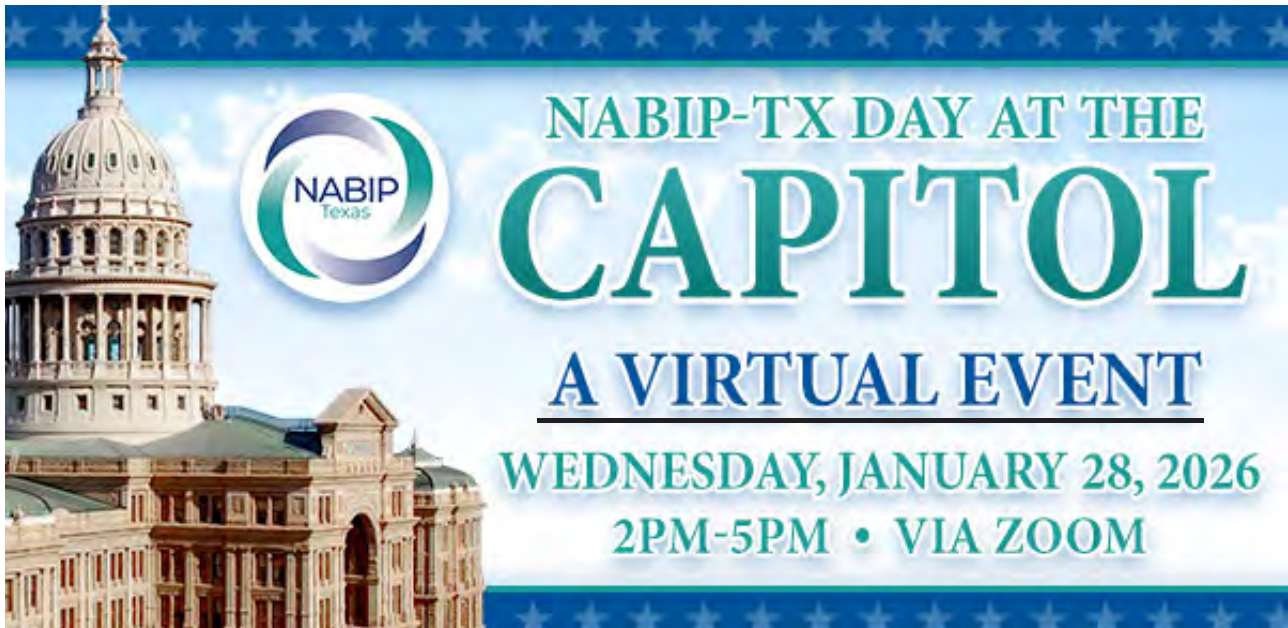
NABIP-FW Monthly Meeting, Virtual CE and Chicken N Pickle

 **NABIP - Fort Worth**
2h · 🌐

☀️ What a fantastic time we had at this month's NABIP-FW Vanguard Event at Chicken N Pickle! 🍗🥒

It was an afternoon full of fun, great conversations, and meaningful connections with our amazing NABIP community. Events like this remind us how important it is to step away from the day-to-day, recharge, and build stronger... [See more](#)





Several "Ghosts" Participated In The NABIP-TX State September Board Meeting



NABIP-SOTX Hosted Its 2025 Strategic Planning Meeting In Zapata, TX



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Register Here - SLBE Certification

See Course Information Below

Spanish Language Benefits Education ("SLBE") Certification

When: 09/25/2025 (3:00 pm - 5:00 pm)
10/23/2025 (3:00 pm - 5:00 pm)
times shown are in EDT (America/New_York)

Last Day To Register: 09/24/2025

Register

\$150.00

sponsored by:



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IN BENEFITS AND INSURANCE
Powered by NABIP

Course Info

Instructor

Available Credit

Approval Info

Class Notes

The new SLBE (Spanish Language Benefits Education) Certification is a credential that will show clients and prospects that you have invested in learning strategies to serve Spanish speakers with ethics and excellence. It will prepare you to educate them about their insurance and benefits plans, providing the necessary tools, materials, and processes for this market to make well-informed decisions in their own best interest.

Upon completion, you will be able to demonstrate to clients and prospects that you understand that serving Spanish speakers involves more than Google translate or an overworked bilingual foreman and that you have invested in learning thoughtful and effective strategies to do this. You will then be able to ensure that plans you recommend, and offer are suitable; that written communication is clear, consistent and e the plans you recommend and offer are suitable; that written communication is clear, consistent, effective; that enrollment is engaging; that tech supports your endeavor, rather than undermining it; and that Spanish speakers have effective support throughout the year.

CONDUCTED IN ENGLISH (and no, you do not have to learn ANY Spanish!)

- **PART 1:** Engaging Spanish Speakers in Their Benefits: Best (and Worst) Practices
 - **PART 1: 09/25/2025 (3:00 pm - 5:00 pm EST)**
- **PART 2:** Benefits for Speakers of Other Languages - Ethics, Compliance and Suitability (2 CE Credits)
 - **PART 2: 10/23/2025 (3:00 pm - 5:00 pm EST)**

Why NABIP Is the Right Choice for You

The National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP) is the leading organization for health insurance and employee benefits professionals. NABIP represents more than 100,000 licensed health insurance agents, brokers, general agents, consultants and benefit professionals through more than 200 chapters across America.

Collectively, we work to ensure all Americans have access to high-quality, affordable healthcare and related benefits. To meet that vital mission, NABIP advances the interests of its members and advocates for sound public policy solutions in Washington DC and state capitals throughout the country.

As the health insurance and benefits landscape has evolved, so has the association. Still, we have remained steadfast in our commitment to our members, providing vast professional-development opportunities and resources to promote excellence, including certification programming, conferences and business-development tools.

Under the recently rebranded moniker NABIP, we are better positioned to serve as trusted advocates for our members and their clients for decades to come. As more professionals join the association, NABIP becomes even stronger.

Shaping the *Future* of Healthcare

Our new tagline reflects NABIP's belief that all Americans should be empowered to make wise healthcare and benefits decisions in order to have access to high-quality, affordable healthcare and related services.



Operation Shout

NABIP's premiere grassroots system allows members to have their voices heard by lawmakers. Operation Shout is an indispensable component of NABIP's overall legislative advocacy efforts.

What We Do

We advocate for affordable and responsible health insurance market solutions to secure the future and stability of our industry.



Compliance Corner

This online benefit provides comprehensive updates on new federal statutes and regulations in the areas of insurance, labor and taxes.

As a NABIP member, you can expect to receive:

Guidance on healthcare policy changes

Updates on developing market trends including Medicare, mergers and acquisitions, etc.

Resources and decision-making tools to help navigate the benefits and insurance market

Access to education, training and certification courses

Networking and business-development opportunities

Lobbying opportunities to support the future and stability of the industry

When it comes to your professional career, your knowledge, expertise and experience are priceless. Join the best of the best and take your career to the next level!

Join now! Please visit NABIP.org to submit a membership application today.

Por qué NABIP es la opción adecuada para usted

La Asociación Nacional de Profesionales de Beneficios y Seguros (NABIP) es la organización líder para profesionales de seguros médicos y beneficios para empleados. NABIP ve por los intereses de más de 100,000 representantes autorizados de seguros médicos, agentes, representantes generales, consultores y profesionales de beneficios a través de más de 200 capítulos en todo Estados Unidos.

Trabajamos colectivamente para garantizar que todos los estadounidenses tengan acceso a servicios de atención médica económica y de alta calidad, y beneficios relacionados. Para cumplir con esa misión vital, NABIP promueve los intereses de sus miembros y defiende soluciones bien fundamentadas en políticas públicas en Washington DC y en las capitales de los estados en todo el país.

A medida que el panorama de los seguros y beneficios médicos ha evolucionado, también lo ha hecho la asociación. Aún así, nos hemos mantenido firmes en nuestro compromiso con nuestros miembros, proporcionando amplias oportunidades y recursos de desarrollo profesional para promover la excelencia, incluyendo programas de certificación, conferencias y herramientas de desarrollo empresarial.

Bajo el nombre recientemente renovado de NABIP, estamos mejor posicionados para actuar como defensores de confianza de nuestros miembros y sus clientes durante las próximas décadas. Entre más profesionales se unen a la asociación, NABIP se vuelve más fuerte.

Dando forma al *futuro* de la atención médica

Nuestro nuevo eslogan refleja la convicción de NABIP de que todos los estadounidenses deben estar capacitados para tomar decisiones acertadas sobre la atención médica y los beneficios para acceder a servicios médicos y servicios relacionados de alta calidad y económicos.

Qué hacemos

Abogamos por soluciones económicas y responsables del mercado de seguros médicos para asegurar el futuro y la estabilidad de nuestra industria.



Operation Shout

El sistema comunitario de NABIP permite que los miembros sean escuchados por legisladores. El programa Operation Shout es un componente indispensable de los esfuerzos generales de defensa legislativa de NABIP.



Compliance Corner

Este beneficio en línea proporciona actualizaciones integrales sobre las nuevas leyes y regulaciones federales en las áreas de seguros, trabajo e impuestos.

Como miembro de NABIP, puede recibir:

Consejería sobre cambios en la política de atención médica

Actualizaciones sobre tendencias de mercado en desarrollo incluyendo Medicare, fusiones y adquisiciones, etc.

Recursos y herramientas de toma de decisiones para ayudar a navegar el mercado de beneficios y seguros

Acceso a cursos educativos, capacitación y certificación

Red de contactos y oportunidades de desarrollo de negocios

Oportunidades de cabildeo para apoyar el futuro y la estabilidad de la industria

Cuando se trata de su carrera profesional, su conocimiento, especialización y experiencia son invaluable. ¡Únase a lo mejor de lo mejor y lleve su carrera al siguiente nivel!

¡Únase ahora! Visite NABIP.org para enviar una solicitud de membresía hoy.

NABIP-TX ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2026

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