



“Working together with the knowledgeable and dedicated UI professionals on this Subcommittee has afforded me the opportunity to learn the importance of educating states on the methods of wage transfers, understanding IB policies, and developing technologies to enhance the exchange of combined wage, interstate, federal and military claims data. This Subcommittee ensures all states work as a network to serve not just our own, but each other's unemployed customers.”



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## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE INTERSTATE BENEFITS SUBCOMMITTEE

The NASWA Interstate Benefits Subcommittee is the overseeing body for State UI agreements, interstate benefits processes/procedures, and the states' voice for the federal UI programs and the combined wage claim program. The mission of the Interstate Benefits Subcommittee is to provide methods for the exchange of information among states and Canada to support unemployment compensation benefit determinations and workforce security objectives.

The Subcommittee regularly communicates with all states to ensure efficient operation of interstate and federal unemployment insurance programs. The Subcommittee works closely with the U.S. Department of Labor and NASWA's UI Interstate Connection Network (UI ICON) team to develop policy and technology recommendations.

## ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The NASWA Interstate Benefits Subcommittee generally holds two in-person meetings and four conference calls each Association Year. In addition, state representatives appointed to the Subcommittee serve on either the Technology or the Policy & Training Workgroup.

Every two years the Subcommittee leads the development of NASWA's national Unemployment Insurance Interstate Benefits and Federal Programs Training. The training provides basic skills and promotes cooperation among states in running and managing Interstate and Combined Wage Claim (CWC) operations and administering the Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) and the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Service Members (UCX) programs.

## MEMBER RESOURCES

[IB Subcommittee Member Handbook](#)

[UI-ICON Web Portal](#)

[Interstate Program Coordinator \(IPC\) and Federal Program Coordinator \(FPC\) Basics Guide](#)

[State Shared Resources](#) Presentations, Templates, and Training Materials

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

## JOIN THE COMMITTEE

The Subcommittee is mainly comprised of state Interstate Program Coordinators (IPC) and Federal Program Coordinators (FPC). Unemployment Insurance Directors may nominate members of the Subcommittee by sending an email to Luke Shirey at [lshirey@naswa.org](mailto:lshirey@naswa.org).