

## Why we exist

The Bermuda Health Council exists to enhance the quality of healthcare in our community and to promote a sustainable healthcare system.

BHeC seeks to work with all relevant stakeholders to ensure residents enjoy good quality care while assuring the financial sustainability of the health system. We also work to enhance the regulatory framework for healthcare in order to assure an acceptable standard of care and patient safety.



**“To regulate,  
coordinate  
and enhance  
the delivery of  
health services  
in Bermuda”**



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**Working together for a sustainable healthcare system**

## Who we are

The Bermuda Health Council (BHeC) was established by the Bermuda Health Council Act 2004 to regulate, coordinate and enhance the delivery of health services.

The BHeC came into operation in 2006. Core activities since then have revolved around assuring public access to essential health services through requirements for minimum health insurance coverage and enhancing the regulatory framework for healthcare locally.

Our ultimate vision is to work together for a sustainable healthcare system.



## What we do

The Bermuda Health Council provides oversight for Bermuda's health system in many ways.

Among our tasks are to:

- Enhance the regulation of health-service providers and health professionals
- Review Standard Hospital Benefits annually
- License health insurers
- Identify ways to enhance the financial sustainability of the healthcare system
- Engage with healthcare stakeholders in the conduct of our functions
- Advise the Minister of Health on a wide range of health issues
- Work proactively to assure the healthcare system can meet the needs of Bermuda's residents



## What we aim to achieve by 2012

Our Strategic Plan outlines our major goals from 2009 to 2012.



### Strategic Goal 1 - Quality:

To enhance the regulation of health services, insurers, professionals and prescription drugs, in order to assure quality and patient safety



### Strategic Goal 2 - Equity:

To enhance coordination of health services to assure equitable access to essential healthcare for all residents



### Strategic Goal 3 - Efficacy:

To promote healthcare developments in service provision and insurance that will enhance the financial sustainability of the healthcare system



### Strategic Goal 4 Accountability:

To ensure all of our functions are conducted in an impartial manner