

What Do Hubs Do?

Western Mass. Medicare for All encourages the formation of groups called Hubs and supports them in their work. These groups are “hubs of single-payer activity” in different towns and cities across the region.

Hubs can be freestanding or a committee or task force within an organization.

Our goal is at least one Hub in each Massachusetts State Representative District. Because of geography, Districts can have more than one Hub, but they coordinate their legislative work.

Hubs regularly share what they are doing at a monthly General Assembly and by email. Each Hub is entitled to a Rep on the WMM4A Steering Committee, which also meets monthly.

Hub work has included

- internal education/training provided by WMM4A leaders and our consulting economists, improving our knowledge, ability to persuade, development as public speakers, etc. Steering Committee coordinates messaging, training, and media work.
- tabling
- letters to the editor and op/ed pieces
- public speaking and radio and TV appearances
- *Fix It* showings, other public educationals with speakers and panels
- ballot questions (winners all!)
- election-time work, including questioning candidates at forums
- regular communication and meetings with Reps, asking Reps to co-sponsor, be leaders, join the new single-payer caucus
- government and business calculations of cost savings
- municipal resolutions supporting our legislation
- Lobby Day at the Boston statehouse
- participating in public demonstrations to promote Medicare for All and related health care justice issues, including standing up for racial justice.

There are tools for this work at wmmedicareforall.org/who-we-are-and-what-we-do/tools/.