# **Delaware**



Trinidad Navarro Commissioner Chair, Northeast Zone

Term of Office: Four Years

Elected: November 8, 2016 Re-elected: November 3, 2020 Trinidad Navarro was elected in 2016 as the State of Delaware's 26th Insurance Commissioner. He was re-elected in 2020. In this role, he works to ensure insurance affordability and availability for residents as well as the accountability of insurance companies. As Commissioner, he leads the office charged with protecting, educating, and advocating for Delaware residents.

The Department offers free Medicare counseling services and works on the Health Insurance Marketplace, provides arbitration services to residents, and fights and prevents fraud. The Department also works to ensure insurance companies are financially sound, licenses more than 220,000 individuals in related professions, proposes the state's workers' compensation rates, helps more than a thousand companies create safer workplaces to lower their insurance rates by over \$7 million, and so much more.

During the Commissioner's term in office, the Department has made great strides. He has increased department diversity and internal promotions. In 2017, the Commissioner worked with the General Assembly to pass House Substitute 1 to House Bill 80, a signature piece of legislation that ends discrimination in auto insurance policies. The law ensures that neither race, age, gender, economic status, nor other personal characteristics impact the cost of auto policies.

In 2020, the office reduced Health Insurance Marketplace rates for the second time in the state's history, leading to a 5% increase in enrollment, and returned \$21.5 million in premiums to individuals and small businesses. The department completed two of the state's first Mental Health Parity examinations, assessing \$597,000 in penalties. Businesses saved \$4 million in workers' compensation premiums due to a double digit decrease in rates, and another decrease was approved for 2021.

A lifelong Delawarean, Commissioner Navarro has an extensive record of public service. He served for 20 years with the New Castle County Police and was elected New Castle County Sheriff in 2010. While a police officer, he received the department's distinguished Medal of Valor.

Commissioner Navarro serves as chair of the NAIC's Northeast Zone and member of the Executive (EX) Committee; chair of the Antifraud (D) Task Force; and vice chair of the Market Regulation and

Consumer Affairs (D) Committee.

Additionally, Commissioner Navarro serves on many state boards such as the Delaware Health Care Commission, the State Employees Benefits Committee (SEBC), the Plans Management Board, the Council on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, and the Primary Care Reform Collaborative.

Commissioner Navarro has two daughters, Kylie and Hannah, and one son, Jordan. He resides in Bear, DE with his wife Melissa and youngest daughter Hannah.

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