



September 6, 2013

Mr. Thomas Burke  
Health & Human Services Director  
Aitkin County  
204 1st St Nw  
Aitkin, MN 56431-1260

Dear Mr. Burke,

As President of the National Association of Counties (NACo), it is my pleasure to confirm your nomination as a member of the Health Steering Committee for the 2013-2014 term. We are excited to have you as part of our team!

Your NACo committee staff liaison is Paul Beddoe. He can be reached at 202.942.4234 or [pbeddoe@naco.org](mailto:pbeddoe@naco.org). Please feel free to reach out to Paul. He will also be contacting you soon.

NACo steering committee members play a critical role in advancing legislative and policy priorities important to the nation's counties. All steering committee members should plan to:

- Actively participate in steering committee work including conference calls, legislative strategy development and advocacy efforts
- Attend NACo's 2014 Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. – March 1-5, 2014
- Attend NACo's 2014 Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA – July 11-14, 2014

Steering committee members help to establish the goals and policy priorities of the association. At the NACo legislative and annual conferences, the 10 policy steering committees meet to hear federal legislative and policy updates, discuss best practices and innovation, and advise the NACo Board of Directors and voting delegates who set NACo policy for the coming year.

As a member of a steering committee, you may introduce policy resolutions and platform changes and will vote on other proposed resolutions and platform changes within the jurisdiction of your committee. It is my hope that all steering committee members make the most of this opportunity and help create a dynamic and productive policy process.

Thank you for your willingness to serve in this capacity and I look forward to working with you this year and value your membership with NACo.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Langston". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Langston  
President  
National Association of Counties