

The Passing of Long-time NNHRRB Board Chair Mrs. Beverly Becenti-Pigman

Dear friends and colleagues, it is with great sadness to announce that Madame Chair Mrs. Becenti-Pigman passed on last Saturday.

Mrs. Becenti-Pigman was the co-founder of the Navajo Nation Human Research Review Board (NNHRRB). She was instrumental in developing the Navajo IRB process to function as an independent organization, in consultation with the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative branches of the Navajo Nation.

1988 she was appointed by the Navajo Nation Health and Social Services Committee to serve as a Board Member of the Navajo Area Indian Health Service Institution Review Board (NAIHS IRB);

From 1996 – 2021 The Health, Education, and Human Services of the Navajo Nation appointed Her to Chair the Navajo Nation Research Review Board. After 25 years as Board Chairperson, she step down as chair and remain as a Board Member until her death.

The family has set up a Go Fund Me for her: <https://gofund.me/8651b0a0>

Her services will be on Saturday, 10:00 AM in Kayenta, Arizona LDS church. Any questions, you can contact her daughter Ms. Rayanne Barbone at 602-884-1112.