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## **MISSION**

To strengthen the development of our members by providing knowledge, multi-sector representation and protecting the values and foundations of free enterprise. Foster the sustainable economic development of Puerto Rico's and a better quality of life.

## **VISION**

To create sustainable socioeconomic conditions that energized Puerto Rico's competitiveness, promoting innovation and the entrepreneurial spirit.

## **VALUES**

We believe in...  
Free Enterprise,  
Competitiveness,  
Economic Development,  
Multi-sector Dialog,  
Development of Our Human Resources,  
Team work,  
Knowledge,  
Integrity,  
Excellence,  
Planning,  
Innovation,  
Communication and the Need to Adopt Changes.



# WELCOME

## TO OUR PUERTO RICO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Our Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce (PRCC) is the voice of all businessmen and businesswomen who, day by day, set out to create a better Puerto Rico. To achieve this goal, we have three pillars that support our mission to build and sustain a vibrant and future-oriented business community. These are: we advocate for the private sector; we provide exclusive member benefits and we connect our members' businesses; they are our ABC.



### WE ADVOCATE:

Our Legislation and Lobbying Department works daily with leaders from the Puerto Rico Legislative Assembly and the United States Congress, as well as local and federal government leaders, to improve the conditions of the Private Sector in the Island. We aspire to change the reality of a Puerto Rico that has declined in global competitiveness. To achieve this, we listen to our members and as a multisector organization, we consult leaders from different economic sectors to firmly pronounce what our business leaders demand. We work on topics related to taxes, regulation, transportation, infrastructure, permits, among many others.



### BENEFITS:

We work to have member benefits that makes PRCC a great investment for any businessperson, small or large. These include: we educate our members on leadership issues, business strategies, and legislations that impact businesses, among other topics; we provide our members numerous opportunities for them to promote their businesses; we offer a health plan that provides a wide range of comprehensive care at a competitive price; better than what our members could get on the open market, and other discount programs that are added annually.

# WELCOME



## **WE CONNECT:**

We provide our members vast opportunities to connect with other industry leaders, such as conferences, events or meetings, which are coordinated by our staff. These opportunities are incalculable. My personal experience for the past five years as Board Director and now as PRCC President is that I always find new opportunities to do business with my fellow members. These opportunities arise in educational events, social events, or evening events that we hold to celebrate a member's trajectory. These are good occasions to learn from local businesses, know their stories and understand what they had to go through to get where they are today. If you are a new business that just arrived in Puerto Rico, or if you are an established business and you wish to expand your knowledge, or you want to belong to an organization that represents and strives to achieve better conditions for the business community, or if you are interested in having group benefits or connect with our members, I invite you to join us. Please contact me, or any member of our Board of Directors or PRCC staff. We all want you to feel welcome and part of our Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce.

And for all PRCC members, there are spaces to join us. We have over 10 Sector Committees, which meet monthly and identify many issues that need our attention. These in turn, become plans and programs that we include in our role of advocating for the private sector.

It is an honor to serve you as President & Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce, and on behalf of them and myself, I invite you to join us in whatever way you can, and to work together in a better private sector.

Juan Carlos Agosto  
President & Chairman of the Board

# MEMBER'S BENEFITS



*Be an active entrepreneur or professional in the commercial community. Get involved in the following development scenarios offered by the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce:*

- 1.** **Access** to the largest and most diverse business network in Puerto Rico.

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- 2.** **Volunteer** to work on the Working Committees. They offer you the opportunity to participate on special projects, contributing your knowledge and experience and benefiting from exposure to other entrepreneurs.

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- 3.** **Participate** in the activities that the Chamber develops.

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- 4.** If you have **specialized knowledge** in a particular business area, participate as a speaker in the Chamber's seminars, workshops and forums. Gain recognition for your experience and knowledge.

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- 5.** **Advertise** your organization or firm in our publications, reaching large and small companies in various commercial sectors.

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- 6.** **Sponsor** our activities. This gives you exposure to the business and entrepreneurial community in various sectors, projects you as being competitive, indicating that you and your business are active players in the entrepreneurial community and positioning your business as pro-active and avant-garde.

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- 7.** The best way of **making yourself known** is by offering the Chamber your support in lobbying the measures that benefit the private sector as a whole.



For more information: <https://grgo.page.link/kwHUY>





# Achievements

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is accredited as a State Chamber by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Accreditation Program is the only program of its kind that defines and promotes excellence in the planning of entities such as ours, as well as recognizing the outstanding contributions of chambers of commerce, which results in positive changes for their communities.

UNITED STATES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**ACCREDITED  
STATE CHAMBER**

The purpose of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce is to promote continued excellence in the chambers of commerce sector, fostering a business-friendly environment throughout America. We are proud to be the first Chamber of Commerce to obtain the prestigious “State Chamber” accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce outside of the U.S. territory.

For a chamber of commerce, this accreditation represents a prestigious honor that distinguishes it with the highest standards of quality, experience and a high degree of leadership with which a chamber of commerce must operate to remain accredited.

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is the only Institution in Puerto Rico that holds the two highest recognitions granted by the United States Chamber of Commerce: being recognized as an Accredited State Chamber and belonging to the elite group CCC100. This is an elite group of the US Chamber of Commerce, to which belong - only by selection - some 100 chief executive officers (CEOs) of chambers of commerce [out of over 7,000 chambers subscribed to it] and that have a reach 3 million businesses in the US.

**For more information:**



<https://qrqo.page.link/zCQpc>



# DISCOUNT PROGRAM

**OUR MEMBERS ENJOY EXCELLENT BENEFITS THAT HELP THEM SAVE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS PER YEAR**



<https://qr.go.page.link/hPfzo>



Take advantage of this exclusive program and receive 60% off from more than 600 office products, 70% off in copy and print, and 5% off in other items. Save time and money with this Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce Discount Program when shopping online or at any Office Depot and OfficeMax store in Puerto Rico, United States, St. Thomas and St. Croix.



<https://qr.go.page.link/gQg71>



This benefit provides pharmacy discounts [up to 55%], discount in imaging and laboratories [with access to 1,100 diagnostic tests], medical devices [may save up to 10%], vision discount [save on lenses, frames and tests eye]. Discount on vitamins by mail [save up to 50%], diabetes supplies by mail [to 15% off], among others. The discount card is accepted at over 59,000 participating pharmacies and stores.



<https://qr.go.page.link/Ge6aJ>



As a member of the PRCC, you will have access to the largest network of gas stations in the Island with the biggest facilities for storage and receiving in the Caribbean. For a free consultation call 787-705- 5390/5337 or email [servicio@pumaenergy.com](mailto:servicio@pumaenergy.com)



# SERVICES AND EVENTS



## Virtual Network for Members

Our virtual network of partners aims to achieve integration among the members, provoke conversation and business linkages that result in productive business relationships and durable and thus to contribute to economic growth of Puerto Rico.

In this network, you can:

- find the Membership Directory
- participate in exchange forums,
- participate in the creation of forums and blogs news for the business community.

## PUBLICATIONS

- Cámara en Acción (weekly newsletter)
- Membership Directory (available at PRCC's Virtual Network)
- Annual Report
- Holidays Calendar

- The Business Register (Puerto Rico Entrepreneurial/ Industrial Directory)
- Legislative Report

## NETWORKING

Members will have access to the most important and varied commercial relationships networks in Puerto Rico.

## SURVEYS

Our Institution prepares and promotes periodic surveys on topics of special interest to entrepreneurs.

## COUNSELING AND LIMITED ADVICE

*(free of charge for members)*

- Commerce Promotion
- CET Pymes (Express Permit Center)
- Fire Department
- ARPE (State Rules and Permits Administration)





# SERVICES AND EVENTS



- Health
- Marketing
- Public Relations
- Business Plan Preparation
- Legal Affairs related to Human Resources Administration and Local Laws

## IMPORT & EXPORT PROMOTION

- Participation in commercial missions to foreign markets.
- Certificates of Origin for shipping by exporters.
- Price lists certification.
- Integration with Chambers of Commerce in the United States, Latin America and other countries.
- Promotion of local and international manufacturing.
- Hosting of international commercial missions.

## COMMERCIAL REFERRALS

As a member of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce you become a potential provider or supplier of your products or services when other members call our offices to request lists of merchants associated with our organization. You will have the opportunity to be referred several times a year, given that we receive calls and requests from companies outside of and within Puerto Rico that are interested in obtaining information about our business and professional members.

# INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our different departments are responsible for developing programs and activities directed towards strengthening the relationship with and between Chamber members. Our primary goal is to offer excellent service to our members and maintain a direct and effective communication flow. We work arduously when it comes to fundamental tasks such as: maintaining good relationships with government agencies, legislative bodies and other associations and institutions in an attempt to establish strategic alliances when needed.



We constantly have the responsibility of structuring personalized benefits and services for Chamber members. Our personnel meet the needs of members with sensitivity, diligence and promptness, because they are the foundation of our economy. Our diverse services go from the most basic, such as the orientation on permits and licenses needed to establish a business, to the most complex, such as promoting the participation and interaction of our members in Commercial Missions. This way, entrepreneurial ties at the local and international levels are strengthened.

# WORK COMMITTEES



The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce carries out its daily work consulting problems and situations that directly or indirectly affect the private sector of the economy with the Working Committees. The function of the working committees in this effort is of vital importance, so that not only the Executive Committee but also the Board of Directors and the President can receive counsel and advice from the various business sectors. This allows the organization to submit necessary proposals to the corresponding authorities.

All members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and their designated representatives are eligible to form part of the Working Committee of their choice. The President of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce will designate the chairpersons of every Committee, who will occupy their position for one year, and will inform them of matters that will constitute the work agenda and priorities for the fiscal year. Chair persons will concentrate their efforts on these priorities and will recruit volunteer resources in order to facilitate the culmination of their agenda during the fiscal year. If culmination is not possible in that time period, they will submit pertinent recommendations at the end of their terms in order to allow proper continuity of such efforts in subsequent fiscal years.

Check the list of committees and let us know which ones you wish to participate in:

## Legislative and Government Affairs

- Public-Private Partnerships

## Commerce and Industry

- Agriculture
- Franchises
- Small and Mid-size Enterprises (SMEs)
- Tourism

## Service Industry

- Banking, Finances and Investment
- Real Estate
- Cooperatives and Credit Unions
- Insurance

## Science and Technology

- Technology and Telecommunications

## Infrastructure

- Environment, Infrastructure and Permits
- Energy and Water
- Transportation and Logistic

## Institutional Development

- University Chapters
- Young Entrepreneurs (must be 39 years or younger)
- Professional and Businesswomen's Network

## Social Development

- Quality of Life and Corporate Social Responsibility
- Medicinal Cannabis and Hemp
- Diversity
- Education
- Emergency Management and Recovery
- Health



# JOIN our great TEAM

*Included herein is a short list of some of the guidelines for the Working Committees:*

- ▶ Working Committees will act as advisory bodies to the President of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors.
- ▶ Working Committees will have the right to use the physical facilities of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce free of charge in order to carry out their official meetings provided they are requested ahead of time.
- ▶ Scheduling of the Working Committees will be carried out through the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce.
- ▶ Membership in the Working Committees is renewed annually.

Join our  
Work Committees:

<https://qrگو.page.link/WGrLx>



PDF Version:

<https://qrگو.page.link/98CV8>



# HEALTH PLAN Benefits Summary 2018 - 2019

Effective **October, 1st, 2020 until September 30, 2021**, you can be part of the health plan that provides a wide range of comprehensive care. This product applies for members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce only.

## REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be a member of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce.
2. Minimum of participation of **2-50 employees** or **10 or more employees**.
3. Mandatory documents:
  - i. Evidence of Form 941/941-PR
  - ii. Unemployment insurance statement or
  - iii. Form 499 R-18 with a list of employees

## INCLUDES:

- Hospital Services
- Ambulatory and Surgical Services
- Diagnostic Tests
- Maternity
- Pharmacy Coverage
- Dental Coverage

### ACCESS THE BENEFITS SUMMARY BUSINESS A & BUSINESS B:



<https://qrgo.page.link/KgtPb>



### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

**(787) 725-5880**

Mr. Carlos Rivera

[crivera@fulcroinsurance.com](mailto:crivera@fulcroinsurance.com)



# Know your added values!

## FARMAFLEX-MEDVANTX

For your convenience you can order your medication through mail with a supply of 90 days.

### **Benefits**

- Receive your medications at home.
- 24 hours service (Internet or Phone)
- Lower costs and savings
- Coaching

### **Eligible medications (among others):**

- Hypertension
- Diabetes
- Asthma
- Cholesterol
- Thyroid

**Information:** 1-866-744-0621 / [www.medvantxrx.com](http://www.medvantxrx.com)

## MCS REWARDS

Discount program for general services and products as:

- Air conditioners
- Heaters
- Camera and security systems
- Window treatments
- Mortgage loans
- Windows & doors
- Roof sealer treatment

To know more about this program, visit [www.mcs.com.pr](http://www.mcs.com.pr), call 1.855.684.5566 or send an email to [mcsrewards@medicalcardsystem.com](mailto:mcsrewards@medicalcardsystem.com)

## MEDILÍNEA

Free health consultation service, available 24 hours a day seven days a week.

In just one call you will receive guidance about:

- How to ease common symptoms, such as: fever, headaches, among others
- What to do in an emergency
- Medications you are taking and their side effects
- Labs results
- Nutrition
- MCS basic information

Call: 1-866-727-6271

*Important: This service could refer you to the Emergency Room only if medically necessary. However, if you wish to go to the Emergency Room even though our service said otherwise; you may go and pay the deductible:*



**BONNET**  
INSURANCE BROKERAGE CORPORATION

Secure your business continuity. Through the range of insurance products that Bonnet Insurance Brokerage Corporation provides our PRCC Members, you can protect your business assets.

Bonnet Insurance Brokerage Corporation cares about identifying and effectively covering all risks to ensure continuity of its customers in every industry, whether present in Puerto Rico or internationally. Its team of brokers and producers are licensed in all types of insurance and bonds, allowing them access to all insurance markets globally when in Puerto Rico; there is no insurance for a specific risk.

Contact Bonnet Insurance Brokerage Corporation and take advantage for free, of its Diagnostic Test Operational Risk, no matter the size of your company.

**For more information:**



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- Builder's Risks
- Shore and Off-Shore Condominiums
- Errors and Omissions Policy
- Environmental Pollution
- Professional Malpractice
- Directors and Officers, Professional Liability
- Internet Liability
- Employment Practices Liability
- Entertainment Risk Liability
- Bonds of all types
- Travel Accident/ADD
- Disability and Catastrophic Illnesses, among others
- Long Term Care, annuities, life

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206 Calle Tetuán, Piso 9, Viejo San Juan, PR 00901



# Legislative ACTION

## Lobbying

The participation of the Chamber of Commerce of Puerto Rico in matters affecting the private sector is an essential part of its mission. We strive to maintain an active presence before the Legislative Assembly and other governmental and private entities to defend the interests of this sector and support beneficial changes and legislation that allows for sustainable economic development in Puerto Rico.

We do this strictly following the principles of free enterprise and sustainable economic development detailed in our Statute and Assembly Resolutions. The evaluation of each measure is carried out by determining its impact on the economy and on trade, keeping out political-partisan motivations or considerations. All with the intention of strengthening the development of our constituents, providing knowledge, multisectoral representation and protecting the values of the private sector.

We have achieved important alliances that allow us to maintain a presence in Washington D.C. on very important topics such as health funds (Medicaid, Medicare), nutritional assistance funds and others. These alliances with non-profit entities have allowed us to expand our field of action and have our message reach a wider audience. The Chamber also keeps its members aware of important legal developments through its weekly publications, emails, articles or information activities.



# LEGISLATIVE ACTION

## Scope of Legislative Action

- ▶ Negotiate and support legislation favorable to the private sector.
- ▶ Stop legislation or unfavorable determinations that affect economic development and businesses.
- ▶ Prepare and present testimony before legislative committees.
- ▶ Appear at legislative and government agency public hearings in order to set forth the Chamber's position.
- ▶ Support and lobby in favor of the private sector at the municipal level, the courts or any competent forum.
- ▶ Report on legislation in progress.
- ▶ Report new laws that impact the business sector.
- ▶ Meet with government leaders to discuss and find development alternatives for the private sector and the economy.

## Informe Legislativo

A new digital parliamentary publication: "Informe Legislativo" (Legislative Report) is available to our members. This publication is edited by our Director of Legal and Legislative Services, Wanda Pérez, Esq.

This report presents a updated summary of the projects in which the PRCC is working on and those that its following through the legislative process. At the end of each session, a more detailed report will be published specifying each new law approved that can positively or negatively affect our members. Links to the presented projects are included so the reader could make his own analysis.

**Access the projects**



<https://qrqo.page.link/yiWbj>





# Marketing and Promotion OPPORTUNITIES

## SPONSORSHIP OF ACTIVITIES

The Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce offers you the opportunity to promote your company's image by becoming a sponsor of our activities. Our sponsorship proposals are reasonable and flexible.

## E-MARKETING/E-COMMERCE

Your promotional ad through our e-Marketing services is received by all our PRCC Members, reaching 3,000+ e-mail addresses of companies and professionals from all economic sectors. Our membership is one of the most powerful groups in the Island in terms of purchasing power and decision-making.

Use this effective digital media with a minimum investment. New members have the benefit of sending a promotional ad free of charge during their first year as member of our Institution.

Requirements:

- ▶ Membership must be up to date, since this is an exclusive service for members.
- ▶ A letter to the Sales and Marketing Director of the Chamber indicating your desire to send promotional material regarding your product or service.
- ▶ Provide a sample of the promotion.





# BUSINESS TRAINING

*Participation in events and activities of the Chamber provide professional and development opportunities for “networking”. To help your business grow, the PRCC organizes over 50 training activities annually for immediate implementation and offers over 40 free activities*

## Institutional Activities

(providing exposure to our members)

- Initiation of New Members
- Business After 6
- Members Luncheons
- Meet the Board of Directors Candidates Luncheon
- B2B Networking Meetings

## Educational Curriculum

Workshops and conferences covering current topics in the following areas:

- Health
- Economic Perspectives
- Administration
- Energy
- Labor Law
- Technology

## Educational Seminars by our Work Committees

FREE for our Members

These seminars provide our members services that increase the quality of their membership. Year after year we strive to find alternatives that offer added value to the membership.

The Seminars concentrate on issues related to the business environment and effective management.

## Brand Events

- PROMESA Conference
- Puerto Rico Conference
- Puerto Rico Health & Insurance Conference
- Puerto Rico Telecom Conference
- Government and Private Sector Economic Forum
- Economic Perspectives Forum



## Annual Convention

Event where members and potential candidates for leadership position within the chamber meet in order to network and participate in an array of social and educational events.

- Members Assembly
- Business Center
- Exhibitions of products and services
- Guest speakers
- Awards to selected members for their outstanding business and social performance



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# JOIN THE INSTITUTION with a proven trajectory of success



*Founded in 1913, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is a private organization which represents all business sectors. The Chamber groups professionals and entrepreneurs who promote the development of all economic sectors in Puerto Rico, based on private initiative and free enterprise.*

As part of its objectives, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is pledged to defend the free enterprise system based on the premise that the Government must be a stimulating agent in promoting business. In carrying out its regulatory function the Government must become a facilitator, so that the private sector can efficiently carry out its functions of producing and distributing goods and services. This will promote the generation of jobs and achieve the quality of life that our community requires in order to advance the progress of everyone in Puerto Rico.

In addition to its membership of more than 1,000 members, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce groups 40 allied entrepreneurial and professional associations of all sectors in Puerto Rico. They make up what is known as the Council of Affiliated Associations. Thus, the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce is an institution that represents the Island's business sector.

The Chamber of Commerce's work is carried out by the Board of Directors, which is made up of professional entrepreneurs and representatives of the Affiliated Associations, who encompass all fields of economic activity. The members of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce respond to the general standards and plans drawn up by the General Assembly of Members, the Board of Directors and the President of the Institution.



# Membership Application, Payment Method Form, Federal Communications Commission and Work Committees

## Access the memberships forms



<https://qrgo.page.link/kwngM>



## Please remember to:

- Fill out all applications in legible handwriting and send them to the PRCC by E-mail: oteroj@camarapr.net or personally with the correct annual fee.
- Our Authorized Personnel will determine the amount of your annual fee.
- A maximum of 5 representatives from your company will have the right to vote, but one vote per company.
- Every membership application will be evaluated by our Members Committee and will be submitted for approval by the Board of Directors which meets monthly. You will be notified by mail once your membership has been approved.
- Your membership with the Working Committees will be renewed every year.
- The Working Committee's Form is optional and voluntary.

## Our Team

### President and Executive Director's Office

- President
- Executive Director

### Technical and Legislative Services Department

- Legal and Legislative Affairs Director

### Accounting Department

- Finance and Accounting Director
- Accounting Coordinator

### Marketing, Public Relations and Institutional Development Department

- Sales and Marketing Director
- Sales Representative
- Members Services Officer
- Receptionist

### General Services and Purchasing Department


- Institutional Events Director



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