

Massachusetts Local Public Health Infrastructure: Protecting Public Health and Preparing for the Next Pandemic January 26, 2022

8:30 - 10:15 a.m.

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. **Welcome**

Philip W. Johnston

Chairman, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

Senator Jo Comerford

Senate Chair, Joint Committee on Public Health

8:45 – 9:05 a.m. **Research Presentation**

Anna Maria Siega-Riz, PhD

Dean and Professor, Departments of Nutrition and Biostatistics & Epidemiology, School of Public Health and Health Sciences, University of

Massachusetts Amherst

Research: Sarah Goff, MD, PhD, Juliana Sopko, Parker Sweet

School of Public Health and Health Science, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

9:05 – 10:10 a.m. Panel Discussion Moderator: Dean Anna Maria Siega-Riz, PhD

Representative Denise Garlick

Chair, House Committee on Bills in the Third Reading

Dr. Craig Andrade, DrPH, MPHAssociate Dean of the Practice

BU School of Public Health

Damon Chaplin, MBA

Director of Community Services

City of New Bedford

Phoebe Walker, MPP

Franklin Regional Council on Governments

10:10 – 10:15 a.m. Closing Remarks: Michael Doonan, PhD

Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum The Heller School for Social Policy and Management,

Brandeis University