



The Massachusetts
Health Policy Forum

Massachusetts Health Policy Student Forum **January 7-8, 2014** **Agenda**

Day 1: Tuesday, January 7, 2014

8:45 a.m. **Massachusetts State House**
- 12:15 p.m. **Hearing Room 437**

8:45 **Registration**
- 9:00 a.m.

9 – 9:15 a.m. **Introductions and Forum Overview**
Michael Doonan, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

9:15 **The Legislative Process and Cost Containment**
- 10:00 a.m. **Strategies**
Leigh Simons
Senior Research Analyst
Joint Committee on Healthcare Financing
Massachusetts House of Representatives
Shawn Collins
Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Richard T. Moore

10 – 10:15 a.m. **Break – Great Hall**

10:15 ***Hon. Jeffrey Sanchez***
- 11:00 a.m. *Chair, Joint Committee on Public Health*
Massachusetts State House

11 - 11:45 a.m. Health Policy in the Legislature

Introductions:

Philip W. Johnston

Chairman, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

Senator Richard Moore

Vice Chair, Joint Committee on Rules

**11:45 a.m.
– 12:15 p.m.**

Break - walk to Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) and receive boxed lunch (provided at CHIA)

12:15 – 5p.m.

Center for Health Information and Analysis
2 Boylston Street, Boston
The Daley Room, 5th floor

**12:15
– 1:15 p.m.**

Lunch speaker

Jean Yang

Executive Director

Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority

**1:15
– 2:15 p.m.**

Breakout session with group

**2:15
– 3:15 p.m.**

Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA)

Áron Boros

Executive Director

Center for Health Information and Analysis

**3:15
– 3:30 p.m.**

Break

3:30 – 5 p.m. Panel: Lobbyists/Media/Advocacy

Moderator:

Alan Sager, Ph.D.

Professor of Health Policy and Management

Director, Health Reform Program

Liz Kowalczyk, Health Reporters, The Boston Globe

Brian Rosman, Research Director, Health Care for All

Rick Lord, President and CEO

Associated Industries of Massachusetts

Day 2: Wednesday, January 8, 2014

**9:00 a.m. – 12:10 p.m. Center for Health Information and Analysis
2 Boylston Street, Boston
The Daley Room, 5th floor**

**9– 10 a.m. Cost Containment and Quality and the Group
Insurance Commission**

Dolores Mitchell

Executive Director, Group Insurance Commission

10 – 10:15 a.m. Break

**10:15 – 11:05 a.m. The Role of the Office of Medicaid
*Robin Callahan***

Deputy Medicaid Director for Policy and Programs

11:05 – 11:55 a.m.

Mental Health

Marcia Fowler

Commissioner

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

11:55 a.m. – 1 p.m. Lunch and Debrief in Groups (boxed Lunch provided)

1 – 1:15 p.m. Break - walk to Department of Public Health (DPH)

1:15
– 4:45 p.m.

Department of Public Health
250 Washington Street, Boston
Public Health Council Room, 2nd floor

1:15 -
2:15 p.m.

Overview of the Executive Offices of Health and Human Services
John Polanowicz
Secretary
Executive Office of Health and Human Services

2:15
– 2:45 p.m.

Department of Public Health
Cheryl Bartlett
Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

2:45
– 3:00 p.m.

Break

3 - 4 p.m.

Panel: Department of Public Health Staff
Hilary Jacobs
Director, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services
Lea Susan Ojamaa
Director, division of Prevention and Wellness

4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Final Debrief Session in Groups

4:45 – 5 p.m.

Break – walk to Omni Parker House Hotel

5 – 7:45 p.m.

Omni Parker House Hotel
60 School Street, Boston
Kennedy Room

5 – 5:30 p.m.

Cocktails (Cash Bar)

5:30
– 6:15 p.m.

Dinner

6:15
– 7:45 p.m.

Dinner Keynote Speaker:
Moderator: Philip W. Johnston
David Seltz
Executive Director, Health Policy Commission