



2015 Student Forum Agenda

Making the policy process real

Day 1: Tuesday, January 13

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Massachusetts State House
Gardner Auditorium**

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. **Registration**

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

9:15 – 10:00 a.m. **The Legislative Process and Cost Containment
Strategies**

Timothy O'Neil
*Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Public Health
Massachusetts State House*

10 – 10:20 a.m. **Break – Grand Staircase**

10:20 – 11:05 a.m. ***Honorable Jeffrey Sanchez***
*Chair, Joint Committee on Public Health
Massachusetts State House*

11:05
- 11:50 a.m.

Health Policy in the Legislature

Introductions:

Philip W. Johnston

Chair, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

Senator James Welch

Chair, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing

11:50 a.m.
- 12:15 p.m.

Break - walk to the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and receive boxed lunch (provided at DMH)

12:15 – 5p.m.

Department of Mental Health
25 Staniford Street, Boston
Boston Room

12:15
- 1:15 p.m.

Lunch
Breakout session with group

1:15
- 2:15 p.m.

Marica Fowler

Commissioner

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

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

Martha Bebinger, Reporter, WBUR

Brian Rosman, Research Director, Health Care for All

Rick Lord, President and CEO

Associated Industries of Massachusetts

Day 2: Wednesday, January 14

9:00 a.m.
– 12:10 p.m.

Department of Mental Health
25 Staniford Street, Boston
Boston Room

9– 10 a.m.

Jean Yang
Executive Director
Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority

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.

Cost Containment and Quality and the Group Insurance Commission
Dolores Mitchell
Executive Director, Group Insurance Commission

11:55 a.m.
– 12:55

Lunch and Debrief in Groups (boxed Lunch provided)

12:55 p.m.
– 1:10 p.m.

Break - walk to Department of Public Health (DPH)

1:10
– 4:40 p.m.

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

1:10
– 2:10 p.m.

Overview of the Executive Offices of Health and Human Services
Philip W. Johnston
Chair, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

2:10
– **2:40 p.m.** **Department of Public Health**
Suzanne Condon
Associate Commissioner for Health
Director, Bureau of Environmental Health
Massachusetts Department of Public Health

2:40
– **2:55 p.m.** **Break**

2:55
– **3:40 p.m.** **Dr. Al DeMaria**
Medical Director, Bureau of Infectious Disease Prevention,
Response and Services, Department of Public Health

3:40
– **4:25 p.m.** **Lea Susan Ojamaa**
Director, Division of Prevention and Wellness, Department
of Public Health

4:25
– **4:45 p.m.** **Final Debrief**
Michael Doonan, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

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
– **6:30 p.m.** **Dinner**

6:30
– **7:45 p.m.** **Dinner Keynote Speaker:**
Moderator:
Philip W. Johnston
Chair, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

David Seltz
Executive Director, Health Policy Commission