



The Massachusetts  
Health Policy Forum



**Harm Reduction in the Commonwealth:  
Analysis of Opportunities to Save Lives  
Tuesday, December 3, 2024  
8:00 – 11:30 AM  
Agenda**

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

**BREAKFAST & REGISTRATION**

8:30 – 8:45 a.m.

**WELCOME**

*Philip W. Johnston, Chairman, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum*

*Julie Burns, President & CEO, RIZE Massachusetts*

8:45 – 9:45 a.m.

**HARM REDUCTION IN THE COMMONWEALTH OVERVIEW**

*Moderator: Martha Bebinger, Reporter, WBUR*

*Traci C. Green, PhD, MsC, Professor and Director,  
Opioid Policy Research Collaborative, The Heller School, Brandeis University*

**AUDIENCE Q&A**

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.

**BREAK**

10:00 – 11:25 a.m.

**REACTOR PANEL**

*Moderator: Martha Bebinger, Reporter, WBUR*

*Representative Marjorie C. Decker  
Chairperson, Joint Committee on Public Health, Massachusetts Legislature*

*Commissioner Robbie Goldstein, MD, PhD  
Massachusetts Department of Public Health*

*Pedro Alvarez, Director of Harm Reduction Operations, Tapestry Health Systems*

*Sarah E. Wakeman, MD  
Senior Medical Director, Substance Use Disorder, Mass General Brigham*

**AUDIENCE Q&A**

11:25 a.m.  
– 11:30 a.m.

**CLOSING REMARKS**

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Massachusetts Health Policy Forum, The Heller School, Brandeis University*