



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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