



# 2025 Student Forum Agenda

## *Making Policy Real*

**Wednesday, January 8**

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**State House, Room 428**  
24 Beacon St, Boston, MA 02133

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- 9:30 a.m.**  
– **9:40a.m.**      **Welcome & Introduction:**  
**Health Policy in the Legislature**  
**Michael Doonan, PhD**  
Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum
- 9:40 a.m.**  
–**10:25 a.m.**      **Introduction: Philip W. Johnston**  
Chairman, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum
- Senator Cindy F. Friedman**  
Chairperson, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing
- Representative Christine P. Barber**  
Vice Chair, Joint Committee on the Judiciary
- 10:25 a.m.**  
–**11:10 a.m.**
- Break**
- 11:10 a.m.**  
–**11:25 a.m.**
- The Legislative Process Panel**  
**Moderator: Christie Hager, JD, MPH**  
Associate Professor, UMass Chan Medical School
- Adelina Huo, MPH**  
Health Care Finance Policy Director  
Office of Senator Cindy F. Friedman
- Gloribel B. Rivas**  
Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Adrian C. Madaro
- Katie Verra**  
Deputy General Counsel, Massachusetts Senate  
Committee on Ways and Means

**12:30 p.m.**            **Lunch with breakout groups**  
**1:15 p.m.**

**1:15 p.m.**            **State House Tour**  
**– 1:45 p.m.**

**1:45 p.m.**            **Walk to Executive Office of Health and Human**  
**– 2:00 p.m.**            **Services (EOHHS)**

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**Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

1 Ashburton Place, 21st Floor, Boston, MA 02108  
Conference Room 2-3

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**2:15 p.m.**            **Introduction: Philip W. Johnston**  
**– 3:00 p.m.**            Chairman, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

**Kiame Mahaniah, MD**  
Undersecretary, Massachusetts Executive Office of Health  
and Human Services

**3:00 p.m.**            **Break**  
**– 3:15 p.m.**

**3:15 p.m.**            **Audrey Morse Gasteier**  
**– 4:00 p.m.**            Executive Director  
Massachusetts Health Connector

**4:00 p.m.**            **Break**  
**– 4:15 p.m.**

**4:15 p.m.**            **Michael Levine**  
**– 5:00 p.m.**            Assistant Secretary  
MassHealth

**5:00 p.m.**            **Debrief**  
**– 5:15 p.m.**            **Michael Doonan, PhD**  
Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

## Thursday, January 9

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### The Department of Public Health

250 Washington St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Public Health Council Room

Boston, MA 02108

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- 9:00 a.m.**                    **Welcome: Michael Doonan, PhD**  
– **9:15 a.m.**                    Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum
- 9:15 a.m.**                    **Robbie Goldstein, MD**  
– **10:00 a.m.**                    Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Health
- 10:00 a.m.**                    **Break**  
– **10:15 a.m.**
- 10:15 a.m.**                    **Department of Public Health**  
– **11:45 a.m.**                    **Social Determinants Panel**
- Moderator: Ruth Blodgett, MBA,** Director, Bureau of  
Community Health and Prevention, DPH
- Claire Santarelli,** Director, Division of Health Protection &  
Promotion, Bureau of Community Health and Prevention,  
DPH
- Claudia Catalano, MPP,** Family and Community Health  
Policy and Systems Coordinator, Bureau of Family Health  
and Nutrition, DPH
- Katie Teague, MSW,** Community Health Planning and  
Engagement Specialist, Bureau of Community Health and  
Prevention, DPH
- Tony Galvao,** Director of Child and Youth Violence  
Prevention, DPH
- 11:45 a.m.**                    **Brooke Doyle, M.Ed., LMHC**  
– **12:30 p.m.**                    Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Mental  
Health
- 12:30 p.m.**                    **Lunch with breakout groups**  
– **1:30 p.m.**
- 1:30 p.m.**                    **Walk to Massachusetts Health Policy Commission**  
– **1:45 p.m.**                    **(HPC)**

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**Massachusetts Health Policy Commission (HPC)**

50 Milk St, 8th floor  
Boston, MA 02109

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**2:00 p.m.**  
– **2:45 p.m.**

**David Seltz**

Executive Director, Health Policy Commission

**2:45 p.m.**  
– **3:30 p.m.**

**Lauren Peters, JD**

Executive Director  
Center for Health Information and Analysis

**3:30 p.m.**  
– **3:45 p.m.**

**Break**

**3:45 p.m.**  
– **4:55 p.m.**

**Lobbyists Advocacy Panel****Moderator: Alan Sager, PhD**

Professor, Boston University School of Public Health

**Amy Rosenthal**

Executive Director, Health Care for All

**Reginauld S. Williams, MPP**

CEO, Oak Lane

**Adam Martignetti, Vice President**

State Government Affairs & Advocacy, Point32Health

**4:55 p.m.**  
– **5:00 p.m.**

**Final Debrief****Michael Doonan, PhD**

Executive Director, Massachusetts Health Policy Forum

**5:30 p.m.**  
– **6:30 p.m.**

**Optional Networking Happy Hour (Cash Bar)**

Elephant & Castle, 161 Devonshire Street, Boston 02110