



MAHP 2019 Annual Conference

Health Care Policy: Coverage, Cost Containment and Quality Improvement for Today and Beyond

Friday, November 22, 2019

7:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Seaport Hotel • One Seaport Lane • Boston
Plaza Ballroom – 3rd Floor

Conference Agenda

7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
Breakfast and Registration

8:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Introduction and Welcome

Lora Pellegrini, President & CEO, Massachusetts Association of Health Plans

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Opening Remarks

Senate President Karen Spilka (Invited)

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Do Consolidation and Higher Costs Lead to Better Quality for Patients?

Austin Frakt, Ph.D., Health Economist, Associate Professor, Boston University of Public Health; Adjunct Associate Professor, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health; Regular Contributor, The New York Times (Confirmed)

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Break & Refreshments

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
The Affordable Care Act at a Crossroads

Avik Roy, President, Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity (Confirmed)

John McDonough, DrPH, MPA, Professor of Public Health Practice in the Department of Health Policy & Management, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (Confirmed)

Moderator: Jim Braude, Host, WGBH Greater Boston; Co-Host, 89.7 WGBH's Boston Public Radio (Invited)

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meeting the Cost Growth Benchmark – Where do we go from here?

A Fireside Chat with Stuart Altman and Secretary Marylou Sudders:

Stuart Altman, Ph.D., Chair, Health Policy Commission, Sol C. Chaikin Professor of National Policy, Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University (Confirmed)

Marylou Sudders, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services (Invited)

Moderator: John Freedman, MD, MBA, President, Freedman HealthCare (Confirmed)

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Lunch Break

12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

A Father's Response to the Opioid Addiction Crisis

Gary Mendell, Founder & CEO, Shatterproof (Confirmed)

1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

Opioid Addiction Crisis Reactor Panel – TBD

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

A View of the Marketplace: The State & Stakeholders Respond

Chris Carlozzi, Massachusetts State Director, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) (Confirmed)

Robert Coughlin, President and CEO, Massachusetts Biotechnology Council (Confirmed)

Paul Hattis, MD, Greater Boston Interfaith Organization; Associate Professor of Public Health and Community Medicine, Tufts University School of Medicine (Confirmed)

Ellen Murphy Meehan, President, Murphy Meehan Strategies (Invited)

David Seltz, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission (Confirmed)

Steve Walsh, President & CEO, Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association (Invited)

Moderator: **Jim Braude**, Host, WGBH Greater Boston; Co-Host, 89.7 WGBH's Boston Public Radio (Confirmed)

3:00 p.m.

Wrap Up

Lora Pellegrini, President & CEO, Massachusetts Association of Health Plans