



## 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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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*

**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 School of Public Health; Adjunct Associate Professor, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health; Regular Contributor, The New York Times*

**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*  
*John McDonough, DrPH, MPA, Professor of Public Health Practice in the Department of Health Policy & Management, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health*  
Moderator: *Jim Braude, Host, WGBH Greater Boston; Co-Host, 89.7 WGBH's Boston Public Radio*

**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*  
*Marylou Sudders, Secretary, Executive Office of Health and Human Services*  
Moderator: *John Freedman, MD, MBA, President, Freedman HealthCare*

**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*

**1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**

**Opioid Addiction Crisis Reactor Panel**

**Monica Bharel, MD**, Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Health

**Michael Botticelli**, Executive Director, Grayken Center for Addiction Medicine, Boston Medical Center

**Lydia Conley**, Vice President, Mental Health, Association for Behavioral Healthcare

**Eileen McAnney**, President, Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation

Moderator: **Danna Mauch, Ph.D.**, President & CEO, Massachusetts Association for Mental Health

**2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

**A View of the Marketplace: The State & Stakeholders Respond**

**Chris Carozzi**, Massachusetts State Director, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)

**Robert Coughlin**, President and CEO, Massachusetts Biotechnology Council

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

**Roberta Herman, MD**, Executive Director, Group Insurance Commission

**David Seltz**, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission

**Steve Walsh**, President & CEO, Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association

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**3:15 p.m.**

**Wrap Up**

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