

**PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL
MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
Henry I. Bowditch Public Health Council Room, 2nd Floor
250 Washington Street, Boston MA**

Docket: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 9:00 AM

1. ROUTINE ITEMS:

- a. Introductions
- b. Updates from Commissioner Monica Bharel, MD
- c. Record of the Public Health Council Meeting July 15, 2015 **(Vote)**

2. DETERMINATION OF NEED (DoN)

- a. Healthcare Enterprises, LLC, has filed a DoN for construction of a freestanding ambulatory surgical center in Shrewsbury MA. No. 2-4952 **(Vote)**

3. PRELIMINARY REGULATION

- a. Informational Briefing on Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 153.000 (*Licensure Procedure and Suitability Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities*), to Establish a Hearing Process for Closures and Changes of Ownership of Long Term Care Facilities
- b. Informational Briefing on Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 164.000: *Licensure of Substance Abuse Treatment Programs*.
- c. Informational Briefing on Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 700.000: *Controlled Substances Act* related to use of the Prescription Monitoring Program (*Tentative*)
- d. Informational Briefing on Proposed Rescission of 105 CMR 525.000: *Newburyport Shellfish Treatment Plant (Tentative)*

4. PRESENTATION

- a. Ticks and Tick-borne Disease in Massachusetts

The Commissioner and the Public Health Council are defined by law as constituting the Department of Public Health. The Council has one regular meeting per month. These meetings are open to public attendance except when the Council meets in Executive Session. The Council's meetings are not hearings, nor do members of the public have a right to speak or address the Council. The docket will indicate whether or not floor discussions are anticipated. For purposes of fairness since the regular meeting is not a hearing and is not advertised as such, presentations from the floor may require delaying a decision until a subsequent meeting.