



*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Health Policy Commission
Two Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02116*

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §2 and M.G.L. c. 6D, the Health Policy Commission (the “Commission”) will hold a public hearing regarding amendments to **958 CMR 3.000 – Health Insurance Consumer Protection**.

Scheduled hearing date and location:

**Monday, December 16, 2013, 9:00 AM
Center for Health Information and Analysis
Daley Conference Room
Two Boylston Street, Fifth Floor
Boston, MA 02116-4734**

The proposed amendments are authorized by M.G.L. c. 6D, §16 and c. 176O. The regulation applies to health insurance carriers subject to the requirements of c. 176O, includes requirements for carriers in administering their internal grievance procedures, and establishes requirements for the conduct of external reviews of carriers’ medical necessity adverse determinations. The amendments bring the regulation into compliance with requirements of Chapter 35 of the Acts of 2013 and the federal Affordable Care Act, 42 U.S.C. §300gg-19.

The HPC encourages all interested parties to submit written testimony and comments to the following address: HPC-regulations@state.ma.us. All submissions must include the sender’s full name and address. Parties who are unable to submit electronic comments should mail submissions to Lois Johnson, General Counsel, Health Policy Commission, Two Boylston Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02116. All testimony and comments must be received by **12:00 noon on Tuesday, December 24, 2013**.

The text of the proposed regulations may be viewed on the HPC’s website at: www.mass.gov/hpc by selecting “Public Hearings and Regulations.”