



# 2020 Health Care Cost Trends Hearing

## *COVID-19 and the Massachusetts Health Care System: Assessing Impact, Advancing Equity*

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020 | 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

### **WELCOME AND REMARKS**

**9:00 AM**

Dr. Stuart Altman, Chair, Health Policy Commission  
Mr. David Seltz, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission

### **OPENING REMARKS**

**9:05 AM**

The Honorable Charlie Baker, Governor (pre-recorded)

### **HPC VIDEO PRESENTATION**

**9:10 AM**

A spotlight video highlighting the experiences of Commonwealth residents and frontline workers throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, discussing the challenges they have faced, the innovative solutions they have developed, and the reasons they have hope for the future.

### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**9:30 AM**

Dr. David R. Williams, the Florence Sprague Norman and Laura Smart Norman Professor of Public Health at the Harvard School of Public Health; Professor of African and African American Studies and of Sociology at Harvard University

### **REMARKS**

**10:05 AM**

The Honorable Maura Healey, Attorney General (pre-recorded)

### **BREAK**

**10:10 AM**

### **DISCUSSION PANEL 1**

**10:15 AM**

#### **Moderator: HPC Vice Chair Martin Cohen**

Dr. Damian Archer, Chief Medical Officer, North Shore Community Health  
Dr. Thea James, Vice President of Mission and Associate Chief Medical Officer, Boston Medical Center  
Dr. Steven Strongwater, President and CEO, Atrius Health  
Ms. Deborah Wilson, President and CEO, Lawrence General Hospital

### **DISCUSSION PANEL 2**

**11:15 AM**

#### **Moderator: HPC Commissioner Barbara Blakeney**

Dr. Madeline Aviles-Hernandez, Outpatient Services Director, Gándara Center  
Mr. Andrew Dreyfus, President and CEO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts  
Dr. Shari Nethersole, Executive Director for Community Health, Boston Children's Hospital  
Dr. Thomas Sequist, Chief Patient Experience and Equity Officer, Mass General Brigham

### **CLOSING DISCUSSION**

**12:15 PM**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**12:30 PM**