

Notice of Public Hearing

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 6D, § 8, the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission (HPC), in collaboration with the Office of the Attorney General (AGO) and the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA), holds an annual public hearing on health care cost trends. The hearing examines health care provider, provider organization, and private and public health insurance costs, prices, and cost trends, with particular attention to factors that contribute to cost growth within the Commonwealth's health care system.

The 2021 hearing date:

Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 12:00 PM
The hearing will be hosted on Zoom and broadcast live via the HPC's YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGZknspI63TdBuHLf3IrrKQ

The HPC will call for pre-filed written and in-person (virtual) oral testimony from a number of witnesses, including leaders of health care providers and insurers.

The HPC will accept written testimony from members of the public. Written comments will be accepted until November 19, 2021, and should be submitted electronically to HPC-Testimony@mass.gov, or, if comments cannot be submitted electronically, sent by mail, post-marked no later than November 19, 2021, to the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission, 50 Milk Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02109, attention Lois H. Johnson, General Counsel.

Please note that all written testimony submitted will be posted on the HPC's website: www.mass.gov/hpc.

If you require disability-related accommodations, please contact HPC staff at (617) 979-1400 or by email at HPC-Info@mass.gov a minimum of two weeks prior to the hearing so that we can accommodate your request.

For more information, including details about the agenda, expert and market participant witnesses, testimony, and presentations, please check the <u>Annual Cost Trends Hearing page</u> on the HPC's website. Materials will be posted regularly as the hearing date approaches.