



**LOOKING BACK, LOOKING FORWARD:
Identifying Strategies for a More Accountable and Affordable Health Care System in
Massachusetts**

Monday, October 2, 2017

Welcome and Remarks	9:00 AM
Dr. Stuart Altman, Chair, and Mr. David Seltz, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission The Honorable Stanley Rosenberg, President of the Senate The Honorable Charlie Baker, Governor	
State Perspective: Health Care Spending Trends and Impact on Affordability	9:45 AM
Mr. Ray Campbell, Executive Director, Center for Health Information and Analysis Dr. David Auerbach, Director, Research and Cost Trends, Health Policy Commission	
National Perspective: Health Care Costs and Readmissions	10:30 AM
Dr. Karen Joynt Maddox, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor, Washington University School of Medicine and Brown School of Social Work	
Witness Panel 1: Reducing Unnecessary Hospital Use	11:15 AM
<i>This panel will focus on efforts to reduce avoidable hospital readmissions and other forms of unnecessary hospital utilization. The panel will also discuss addressing the behavioral health and social needs of patients to avoid emergency department visits and boarding.</i>	
Dr. Christopher "Kit" Gorton, President, Public Plans, Tufts Health Plan Ms. Eliza Lake, Chief Executive Officer, Hilltown Community Health Center Ms. Cheryl Pascucci, Family Nurse Practitioner, Baystate Franklin Medical Center Ms. Christine Schuster, President and CEO, Emerson Hospital Dr. Michael Wagner, President and CEO, Tufts Medical Center	
Lunch Break	12:30 PM
Presentation from the Office of the State Auditor	1:15 PM
Ms. Pamela E. Lomax, Deputy Auditor for Administration and Finance	
Witness Panel 2: Evaluating the Impact of Recent Provider Transactions	1:30 PM
<i>This panel will examine trends in keeping community-appropriate care in the community, before and after recent hospital acquisitions and affiliations. The panel will also discuss how broader changes in the provider market are impacting care delivery as well as cost, quality, and access.</i>	
Ms. Dianne Anderson, President and CEO, Lawrence General Hospital Dr. Howard Grant, President and CEO, Lahey Health Mr. John Polanowicz, Executive Vice President, Steward Health Care System Dr. Peter Slavin, President, Massachusetts General Hospital	
Presentation from the Office of the Attorney General	2:45 PM
Ms. Sandra Wolitzky, Assistant Attorney General, Health Care Division	
Public Testimony Opportunity	3:00 PM
Adjournment	4:00 PM



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Tuesday, October 3, 2017

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9:00 AM

Dr. Stuart Altman, Chair, and Mr. David Seltz, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission
The Honorable Maura Healey, Attorney General
The Honorable Robert DeLeo, Speaker of the House

**Witness Panel 3: Promoting High-Value Care Through Payment Reform and
Purchaser Innovations**

10:00 AM

This panel will focus on the adoption and improvement of alternative payment models (APMs) and innovations to promote the use of high-value providers. The panel will also examine purchaser strategies to promote efficient care and innovative care delivery models.

Ms. Deborah Devaux, Chief Operating Officer, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts
Ms. Trish Hannon, President and CEO, New England Baptist Hospital
Dr. Roberta Herman, Executive Director, Group Insurance Commission
Dr. Steven Strongwater, President and CEO, Atrius Health

Break

11:15 AM

**Witness Panel 4: Achieving the Health Care Cost Growth Benchmark in 2018 and
Beyond**

11:30 AM

This panel will discuss strategies to meet the health care cost growth benchmark in 2018 and beyond by tackling issues such as the scalability of innovations in care delivery and payment, spending on pharmaceuticals and medical devices, and the future of the Massachusetts health care system.

Mr. Richard Buckley, Vice President, Global Corporate Affairs, AstraZeneca
Dr. Rushika Fernandopulle, Co-Founder and CEO, Iora Health
Mr. Eric Schultz, President and CEO, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care
Dr. Kevin Tabb, President and CEO, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Concluding Discussion

12:45 PM

Board of Commissioners, Health Policy Commission

Adjournment

1:30 PM

**Monday, October 2, 2017, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 9:00 AM
Suffolk University Law School
First Floor Function Room
120 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02108**

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