**PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Henry I. Bowditch Public Health Council Room, 2nd Floor 250 Washington Street, Boston MA**

**Docket: \*\*\*REMOTE MEETING\*\*\* Wednesday, December 13, 2023 – 9:00AM**

***Note: The December Public Health Council meeting will be held remotely as a video conference consistent with St. 2021, c. 20, s. 20, which provides for certain modifications to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.***

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1. **ROUTINE ITEMS**
   1. Introductions.
   2. Updates from Commissioner Robert Goldstein.
      * Review Data from the Biannual Opioid Report.
   3. Record of the Public Health Council Meeting held November 8, 2023 **(Vote)**.
2. **DETERMINATION OF NEED**
   1. Request by Berkshire Health Systems, Inc. for an Original License **(Vote).**
3. **REGULATIONS**
   1. Request to promulgate rescission of 105 CMR 159.000, *COVID-19 Vaccinations for certain staff providing home care services in Massachusetts* **(Vote).**

*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.*