**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, January 20, 2021 – 8:30AM**

***Note: The January Public Health Council meeting will be held remotely as a video conference due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency declared by Governor Charles D. Baker on March 10, 2020 and consistent with the Governor’s March 12, 2020 Order modifying the state’s Open Meeting Law and July 2, 2020 Order regarding gatherings.***

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1. **ROUTINE ITEMS**
	1. Introductions
	2. Updates from Commissioner Monica Bharel, MD, MPH.
	3. Record of the Public Health Council Meeting held December 10, 2020. **(Vote)**
2. **DETERMINATIONS OF NEED**
	1. Request by New England Surgery Center, LLC for Substantial Change in Service

**(Vote)**

1. **REGULATIONS**
	1. Request to Approve for Final Promulgation Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 700.000, *Implementation of M.G.L. c. 94C.* **(Vote)**

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

a. Health Equity Update

*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.*