**PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL**

**MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Henry I. Bowditch Public Health Council Room, 2nd Floor**

**250 Washington Street, Boston MA**

**Docket: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 – 9:00AM**

1. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
	1. After a call to order, the Public Health Council will meet in Executive Session as authorized by M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(3) for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation, specifically:
* Vapor Technology Association v. Charlie Baker, in official capacity and Monica Bharel, in official capacity
* Mass Dynamics et. al. v. Charles Baker, as Governor and Monica Bharel, as Commissioner of Public Health
* Vapor Zone v. DPH et al.
* Vapor Technology Association v. Charlie Baker, in official capacity and Monica Bharel, in official capacity
1. **ROUTINE ITEMS**
	1. Introductions
	2. Updates from Commissioner Monica Bharel, MD, MPH.
	3. Record of the Public Health Council Meetings held September 11, 2019 and September 24, 2019. **(Vote)**
2. **DETERMINATION OF NEED**
	1. Request by Partners HealthCare for substantial capital expenditure and substantial change in service to expand the emergency department, endoscopy service, and electrophysiology lab and add a PET-MRI. **(Vote)**
3. **PRESENTATIONS**
	1. Commemorating the Massachusetts Department of Public Health’s 150th anniversary.

*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.*