**Massachusetts Department of Public Health**

Special Commission on Post Traumatic

Stress Disorder

**June 16, 2025**

Agenda

1. Welcome & Call to Order
2. Approve Meeting Minutes from 5/16
3. Review Final Findings from Working Groups
4. Review Draft Report & Discuss Recommendations for Legislature
5. Next Steps
6. Adjournment (Vote)

Charge of the Commission

*The commission shall:*

1. *assess and summarize the advances made in research on and treatment and diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder;*
2. *assess and summarize the advances made in access to care for individuals with a diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder;*
3. *assess and summarize research services and support activities for post- traumatic stress disorder across the commonwealth, including coordination of the commonwealth's activities and programs with respect to post-traumatic*

*stress disorder; and…*

Charge of the Commission (cont.)

1. *develop a comprehensive strategic plan to improve health outcomes for individuals with a*

*diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder including, but not limited to, recommendations to:*

* + *(A) advance research on post-traumatic stress disorder;*
	+ *(B) improve the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder;*
	+ *(C) improve public awareness and recognition of post-traumatic stress disorder;*
	+ *(D) improve mental health care delivery for individuals with a diagnosis of post-*

*traumatic stress disorder;*

* + *(E) improve the early and accurate diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder; and*
	+ *(F) systematically advance the full spectrum of biomedical research on post-traumatic*

*stress disorder.*

Report

*(d) The commission shall submit its findings and recommendations to the clerks of the house of representatives and senate not later than July 1, 2025.*

Next Steps

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| Date | Time | Location |
| Tuesday, July 1st *- Submission of Report to the clerk of the House of Representatives and the Senate* |

Webpage

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