



2019 Health Care Cost Trends Hearing

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019 | 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

WELCOME	9:00 AM
Mr. Martin Cohen, Vice Chair, Health Policy Commission Mr. David Seltz, Executive Director, Health Policy Commission	
REMARKS	9:15 AM
The Honorable Robert DeLeo, Speaker of the House	
PRESENTATION: PERFORMANCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	9:30 AM
Mr. Ray Campbell, Executive Director, Center for Health Information and Analysis	
REMARKS	10:00 AM
The Honorable Charlie Baker, Governor	
PRESENTATION: HEALTH CARE SPENDING TRENDS AND IMPACT ON AFFORDABILITY	10:30 AM
Dr. David Auerbach, Senior Director of Research and Cost Trends, Health Policy Commission	
PRESENTATION: OPPORTUNITIES TO DRIVE VALUE IN HEALTH CARE	11:00 AM
Dr. Meredith Rosenthal, Professor of Health Economics and Policy, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health	
WITNESS PANEL 1: CONFRONTING COMPLEXITY IN THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	11:30 AM
<i>This panel will focus on the impact of administrative complexity on patients, employers, providers, and payers, as well as solutions for reducing complexity that does not provide value.</i>	
Dr. Michael Apkon, President and CEO, Tufts Medical Center Cheryl Corman, Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer, Middlesex Savings Bank Dr. Alejandro J. Esparza-Perez, Chief Medical Officer, Holyoke Health Center Amy Rosenthal, Executive Director, Health Care For All David Segal, President and CEO, AllWays Health Partners	
LUNCH BREAK	12:45 PM
WITNESS PANEL 2: PHARMACEUTICAL MARKET TRENDS AND COST DRIVERS	1:30 PM
<i>This panel will discuss emerging policies and strategies for payers, providers, manufacturers, and other stakeholders to address affordability of prescription drugs and promote value in pharmaceutical spending.</i>	
Dr. Troyen Brennan, Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer, CVS Health Michael Carson, President and CEO, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Erin Mistry, Head of Value, Access, and HEOR, Syneos Health Dr. David Twitchell, Chief Pharmacy Officer, Boston Medical Center Health System	
PUBLIC TESTIMONY	2:45 PM
ADJOURNMENT	3:30 PM



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THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

9:30 AM

The Honorable Maura Healey, Attorney General
Presentation from the Attorney General's Health Care Division

PRESENTATION: STATE POLICY OPTIONS TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN PRIMARY CARE

10:00 AM

Dr. Marie Ganim, Health Insurance Commissioner for the State of Rhode Island
Mr. Chris Koller, President, Milbank Memorial Fund

WITNESS PANEL 3: STRENGTHENING PRIMARY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE

11:00 AM

This panel will focus on strategies to enhance primary and behavioral health care in the Commonwealth through direct investment, expanding workforce, behavioral health integration, and other capacity building.

Dr. Joseph Frolkis, President and CEO, New England Quality Care Alliance
Dr. Jeffrey Greenberg, Co-Founder and COO, Firefly Health
Richard Lynch, COO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts
Dr. Nancy Norman, Medical Director of Integration, Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership
Christina Severin, President and CEO, Community Care Cooperative (C3)

LUNCH BREAK

12:15 PM

WITNESS PANEL 4: PROVIDER MARKET TRENDS AND COST DRIVERS

1:00 PM

This panel will examine how changes in the provider market continue to impact spending as well as quality of and access to care. The panel will include discussion of trends in the appropriate use of lower-cost sites of care, the impacts of continued market consolidation, and the role and future of community-based providers.

Thomas Crowell, President and CEO, Tufts Health Plan
Sandra Fenwick, CEO, Boston Children's Hospital
Kim Hollon, President and CEO, Signature Healthcare
Dr. Anne Klibanski, President and CEO, Partners HealthCare
Dr. Steven Strongwater, President and CEO, Atrius Health
Dr. Kevin Tabb, President and CEO, Beth Israel Lahey Health

CONCLUDING DISCUSSION

2:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

3:00 PM