

Best, Kate Silbaugh [REDACTED]

On Tue, Apr 9, 2024 at 5:40 PM anthony ishak

[REDACTED] wrote:

Thanks for the introduction, Wendy (blind CCed here.).

Susan –In follow-up to our phone conversation from today I have copied Kate Silbaugh who was a primary petitioner with me and Mark Gottlieb from PHAI who provided legal support and a lot of policy knowledge for our bylaw proposal.

I'm happy to attend your meeting tomorrow evening in support of this bylaw proposal. In addition to our conversation, I've included some information below that might be helpful for background.

I am a Town Meeting Member in the Town of Brookline and was a co-primary petitioner in 2020 for a by-law to phase out tobacco sales by freezing the age of purchase to anyone born before 1/1/2000. This essentially prevents new people from getting addicted without taking away the rights of those already of age and minimizing impact to retailers (many of which are owned by non-white people) since it slowly phases it out allowing them to adjust their business models over years. This might be more politically tolerable as compared to an outright ban (though from a health perspective the latter would probably be preferred). The concept is known as the Tobacco Free Generation policy and was originally proposed in Singapore (more info: [The tobacco-free generation proposal](#)), but we were the first municipality/country/state to implement it. PHAI at Northeastern provided pro bono legal support for the Town and the State Judicial Court upheld it last month 9-0 ([Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Upholds Tobacco-Free Generation Law](#)) essentially opening the gate for other towns to implement this policy. Since the SJC decision Stoneham and Wakefield have implemented it using

1/1/2004 as their date and Melrose is deliberating it.

Time magazine interviewed us in 2021 so it is on the radar across the country with Mass leading the

way: <https://time.com/6126252/brookline-tobacco-free-generation-law/>

On Apr 9, 2024, at 1:42 PM,  
Wendy Machmuller  
<[wmachmuller@brooklinema.gov](mailto:wmachmuller@brooklinema.gov)>  
wrote:

Hi Kate and Anthony,

I just received a call from Newton City Council member, Susan Albright. She wanted to speak with someone about “strategies” used to get the warrant article passed [at Town Meeting]. She has a City Counsel meeting tomorrow night; she just found out it is on the agenda.

I thought she would be best served by speaking with you as the co-petitioners of the article. I didn’t want to give out your contact info without your approval, so here is hers:

Susan Albright

City counselor

617-312-7093

Best regards,

Wendy Machmuller

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**To:** [Lisa Cielez](#)  
**Subject:** Re: 2 Tobacco things - open violations and youth inspector pay rate  
**Date:** Friday, January 6, 2023 2:47:02 PM  
**Attachments:** [MTCP FY23 Retail Compliance Check Protocols.pdf](#)

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Attached is the final protocol. It does give ranges for hourly rates.

Sarah McColgan  
Mass. Health Officers Association  
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Thank you!

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Cases are all closed. Thanks!

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**On Fri, Jan 6, 2023 at 11:30 AM Sarah McColgan <[smccolgan@mhoa.com](mailto:smccolgan@mhoa.com)> wrote:**

**Lisa:**

**Thanks for all of the closed cases! There is an updated compliance check protocol that says that youth should be paid \$15 to \$18 (this was before the minimum wage jump), but I only have it in draft form with markups. I'll send it to you as soon as I get an official copy.**

**Sarah McColgan**

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**On Fri, Jan 6, 2023 at 9:59 AM Lisa Cielez <[lcielez@newtonma.gov](mailto:lcielez@newtonma.gov)> wrote:**

**Hi!**

**This is for 2 things – first below is the list of open violations for Newton, Wellesley, and Waltham that we cannot close. Second, we were wondering if you had any MHOA documents about raising the hourly rate for youth buyers we could have? I believe some of the previous trainings had noted their pay and for Newton we now are looking into our currently hourly rate and was hoping we could have a guidance document or something as a rationale for raising the pay rate for our youth buyers.**

**Thanks,**

**Lisa C.**

**Tobacco Retailers with open violations to close in POST**

**Newton:**

- 1. 7-eleven, 612 Washington St – 8/1/21**
- 2. Auburndale Market, 345 Auburn St – 11/22/21**
- 3. Highlander Farms, 69 Waltham St – 8/1/21**
- 4. Lake Smoke & Vape, 376 Watertown St unit B – 8/2/21**
- 5. Negoshian Enterprises (Elliot St Sunoco), 14 Elliot St – 12/7/21**
- 6. Newton Warehouse Wine & Spirits, 447 Centre St – 7/27/21**
- 7. Newton Wine & Spirit, 1142 Beacon St – 7/27/21**
- 8. Quick Stop, 293 Watertown St – 6/14/21**
- 9. Speedway, 2370 Commonwealth Ave – 7/13/21**

**Wellesley:**

- 1. Food Mart @ 987 Worcester St – 10/15/21, 11/23/21, 11/23/21 (two with same date)**
- 2. Mobil/Alltown @ 453 Washington St – 11/16/21**
- 3. Patriot Petroleum, 199 Worcester St – 7/30/2021**

**Waltham:**

- 1. 7-eleven #37504a, 591 Moody St – 6/28/22**
- 2. A1 Market, 359 Moody St – 6/29/22**
- 3. Azteca Market, 75 Pine St – 6/23/22**

4. **Blue Moon Smoke Shop, 408 Moody St – 6/25/21, 9/2/21**
5. **Casa D'italia, 203 Newton St – 6/23/22**
6. **Colbea Enterprises Inc (Shell), 65 Main St – 6/17/22**
7. **Convenience Plus, 150 Lexington St – 6/22/22**
8. **Cronins Market, 12 Crescent St – 6/28/22**
9. **Cruz Market (salgueros market), 139 Felton St – 6/23/22, 6/27/22**
10. **Dion's, 852 Lexington St – 6/22/22**
11. **D&L Liquors Inc (Dion's), 119 River St – 1/23/22**
12. **Family Dollar #24288, 309 Moody St – 6/29/22**
13. **Georgio's Liquors, 475 Winter St – 6/23/22**
14. **Global Montello Group #774 (Gulf Express) – 6/17/22**
15. **Global Montello Group Corp #2 (mobil), 1033 Trapelo Rd – 6/22/22**
16. **Gordon Liquors, 599 Moody St – 6/29/22**
17. **Gordon's Fine Wine and Liquor, 894 Main St – 6/9/22**
18. **Green River Wine and Spirits, 178 High St – 6/23/22**
19. **High St Convenience, 251 High St – 6/23/22**
20. **JJJ Auto Retailers (High St Express), 190 High St – 6/23/22**
21. **J&J Variety, 851 Main St – 6/6/22**
22. **Keys Kwik Market, 909 Main St – 6/9/22**
23. **Macys Liquors, 1093 Lexington St – 6/22/22**
24. **Market Basket, 110 Market Basket Place – 6/10/22**
25. **Maya Market, 979 Main St – 6/10/22**
26. **Mike's Fuel and Food Mart (Gulf), 1455 Trapelo Rd – 6/22/22**
27. **Moody Spa, 811 Moody St – 6/28/22**
28. **Moody St Mobil, 845 Moody St – 6/28/22**
29. **Moody St Smoke Shop, 420 Moody St – 6/29/22**
30. **New World, 790 Main St – 6/22/22**
31. **New World Gas, 478 Main St – 6/13/22**
32. **Pro-tech Automotive and Tire Center, 205 Willow St – 6/17/22**
33. **Quick Stop Variety, 607 Main St – 6/17/22**
34. **Ryan's Wine Shop, 192 Lexington St – 6/22/22**
35. **Safehouse Vapors, 855 Main St – 6/6/22**
36. **Shaws Supermarket, 130 River St – 6/17/22**
37. **Speedway #2486, 66 Prospect St – 6/10/22**
38. **Super Petroleum, 156 Crescent St – 6/28/22**
39. **Teo Mini Market, 133 Prospect St – 6/27/22**
40. **Tuti's Shop, 146 Felton St – 6/27/22**
41. **United Convenience Store, 389 Moody St – 6/29/22**
42. **Veronicas, 1074 Main St – 6/10/22**
43. **Village Market, 588 South St - 6/9/22**
44. **Waltham Fuel Inc. (mobil mart), 1335 Main St – 6/10/22**
45. **Waltham Latino's Market (smoke and convenience), 699 Main St - 6/17/22**
46. **Waltham Market, 715 Moody St – 6/28/22**
47. **Watch City Cigar, 853 Main St – 6/13/22**

**Lisa Cielesz, RN, BSN, BS**

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- Shresta C.

On Mon, Mar 24, 2025 at 11:55 AM Susan Albright <[salbright@newtonma.gov](mailto:salbright@newtonma.gov)> wrote:

Does Dover have a Youth Commission ? Those folks testified in Newton.

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Susan Albright, Newton City Council  
Councilor-at-Large, Ward 2

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Hi,

Yes. I can ask our public health director and I'll also email Needham's BOH members (they're less likely to respond). I'll contact them tomorrow but I'm also going to Needham's Public Health Dept. Tuesday anyways so I'll know by Tuesday afternoon the latest. I know Needham also did a racial equity analysis for NFG and I can try to send that over too if that would help.

I'm also trying to ask friends who might know some Dover youth wanting to testify but I'm struggling to find anyone willing. I'm planning to reach out to some adults in Dover as a last ditch effort but for now I haven't gotten any youth yet. Hopefully Shresta's having better luck.

Best,  
Isabel Tashie

On Sun 23 Mar 2025 at 6:59 PM, Anthony Ishak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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I will gather and send the video, Anthony.

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Hi Anthony,

Thanks for the intel.

I can definitely write to the HD and offer to attend a meeting, make a presentation, answer questions, anything they want. I can also write a letter to the HD and the Chair describing the experience with six communities in my region. I'm sure Anthony Chui will do the same from the HD perspective.

I am available April 7th.

Is anything happening with Leveritt that night?

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This is great news, Sigalle. Thanks for sharing. Let us know if we can do anything to help.

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I am available April 7th.

Is anything happening with Leveritt that night?

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I found a youth in Dover! She's willing to submit a letter but not testify. I'll let her know where to email. I'll keep you all posted if I can find anyone else!

On Thu, Mar 27, 2025 at 11:47 AM Buzby, Maureen <[mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org](mailto:mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org)> wrote:

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I have reached out to colleagues, family and friends. How come we don't know anyone in Dover? Dover, NH - yes. Dover, Mass - no.

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Hi Anthony,

Thanks for the intel.

I can definitely write to the HD and offer to attend a meeting, make a presentation, answer questions, anything they want. I can also write a letter to the HD and the Chair describing the experience with six communities in my region. I'm sure Anthony Chui will do the same from the HD perspective.

I am available April 7th.

Is anything happening with Leveritt that night?

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Hi Susan -- I don't know whether your Newton email address still works but you were so instrumental in passing NFG in Newton, and I hoped you'd sign up to testify (in person or online) for next Monday's hearing on Statewide NFG at the state house. The deadline for online is tomorrow. Info below. Best, Kate.

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**Subject: NFG URGENT ACTION ITEM!**

**Calling all MA NFG supporters:** PLEASE sign up to testify at the MA legislatures first hearing on NFG (top 2 bills in this list). Sign up by Thursday of THIS week to testify online. Letters also accepted. THIS IS THE HIGHEST PRIORITY to show STRONG AND WIDESPREAD SUPPORT. Best—Kate.

Hearing Notice - Joint Committee on Public Health - July 14th @ 1PM

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**Date of Hearing:** Monday, July 14, 2025

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** A1

The Joint Committee on Public Health will conduct a hybrid public hearing in Hearing Room A1 on July 14, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on bills relating to children's

health, tobacco, health information technology and professional licensure and scope of practice.

Individuals testifying should limit their remarks to 3 minutes. All panels should limit their testimony to a total of 6 minutes.

**Please be advised that all written testimony submitted will be read by Committee Members and staff and may be made publicly available at the discretion of the Chairs.** The committee may limit availability or redact testimony that includes sensitive personal information or information that may jeopardize the health, wellness, or safety of the testifier or others.

*All matters filed in the House that are listed below are required to be reported on by September 8, 2025, subject to extensions consistent with House Rule 27.*

The Committee will accept written and oral testimony in-person and virtually on the following bills:

| Bill Number | Bill Title                                                                                                 | Bill Sponsor             |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| H2562       | An Act to create a nicotine free generation                                                                | Vitolo, Tommy (HOU)      |
| S1568       | An Act to create a nicotine free generation                                                                | Lewis, Jason M. (SEN)    |
| H2552       | An Act relative to student heart health                                                                    | Vargas, Andres X. (HOU)  |
| H2538       | An Act establishing a fetal alcohol spectrum disorders program                                             | Sena, Danillo A. (HOU)   |
| H2526       | An Act relative to the provision and administration of bronchodilators, spacers, and nebulizers in schools | Roy, Jeffrey N. (HOU)    |
| H2520       | An Act relative to improving asthma in schools                                                             | Rogers, David M. (HOU)   |
| H2495       | An Act relative to LSDs (Lysosomal Storage Disorders) in infants                                           | McKenna, Joseph D. (HOU) |
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| S1530 | An Act improving newborn screening tests                                                             | Fattman, Ryan C. (SEN)       |
| H2485 | An Act concerning the cardiac health of children and student athletes                                | Livingstone, Jay D. (HOU)    |
| H2482 | An Act to ban internet tobacco sales                                                                 | Linksy, David Paul (HOU)     |
| H2481 | An Act prohibiting the sale of dextromethorphan to minors                                            | Linsky, David Paul (HOU)     |
| S1617 | An Act prohibiting the sale of dextromethorphan to minors                                            | Rausch, Rebecca L. (SEN)     |
| H2468 | An Act for healthy kids, healthy futures                                                             | Kilcoyne, Meghan K. (HOU)    |
| S1571 | An Act for healthy kids, healthy futures                                                             | Lewis, Jason M. (SEN)        |
| H2443 | An Act to protect little lungs                                                                       | Hawkins, James K. (HOU)      |
| H2434 | An Act improving pediatric cancer research                                                           | Giannino, Jessica Ann (HOU)  |
| S1602 | An Act improving pediatric cancer research                                                           | O'Connor, Patrick M. (SEN)   |
| H2430 | An Act including Krabbe Disease in newborn screening                                                 | Garry, Colleen M. (HOU)      |
| H2419 | An Act relative to local boards of health and the sale of legal tobacco products in the Commonwealth | Frost, Paul K. (HOU)         |
| H2379 | An Act relative to tobacco harm-reduction                                                            | Cahill, Daniel (HOU)         |
| S1498 | An Act relative to tobacco harm-reduction                                                            | Cronin, John J. (SEN)        |
| H2361 | An Act relative to ensuring quality healthcare for children                                          | Arena-DeRosa, James C. (HOU) |

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| S1636 | An Act ensuring safer and secure communications with radiation limits through the Massachusetts Broadband Institute | Velis, John C. (SEN)       |
| S1631 | An Act relative to sudden cardiac arrest awareness                                                                  | Velis, John C. (SEN)       |
| S1624 | An Act relative to personal health information portability and accessibility                                        | Tarr, Bruce E. (SEN)       |
| S1593 | An Act supporting school-based substance use prevention through evidence-based positive social norms marketing      | O'Connor, Patrick M. (SEN) |
| S1586 | An Act relative to smoking cessation agents                                                                         | Moore, Michael O. (SEN)    |
| S1573 | An Act relative to newborn screenings for congenital cytomegalovirus                                                | Lovely, Joan B. (SEN)      |
| S1567 | An Act to protect youth from the harms of tobacco and e-cigarette products                                          | Lewis, Jason M. (SEN)      |
| S1554 | An Act to reduce lung cancer deaths                                                                                 | Keenan, John F. (SEN)      |
| S1553 | An Act relative to the determination of need of new technology                                                      | Keenan, John F. (SEN)      |
| S1552 | An Act relative to expanding the newborn screening panel                                                            | Keenan, John F. (SEN)      |
| S1528 | An Act repealing the state menthol ban                                                                              | Fattman, Ryan C. (SEN)     |
| S1507 | An Act regarding the pediatric palliative care program                                                              | DiDomenico, Sal N. (SEN)   |
| S1492 | An Act relative to newborn infant safe sleep practices                                                              | Crighton, Brendan P. (SEN) |
| H2514 | An Act relative to the definition of disclosure, apology and early offer programs                                   | Plouffe, Bridget (HOU)     |
| H2480 | An Act regarding registered nurse first assistants                                                                  | Linsky, David Paul         |

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| H1400 | An Act relative to maintenance of certification               | Philips, Edward R.<br>(HOU)    |
| H2407 | An Act relative to the definition of podiatry                 | Donato, Paul J.<br>(HOU)       |
| S1510 | An Act relative to the definition of podiatry                 | Dooner, Kelly A.<br>(SEN)      |
| S1542 | An Act relative to the definition of podiatry                 | Friedman, Cindy<br>F. (SEN)    |
| H2470 | An Act relative to the continuing education of<br>podiatrists | Kushmerek,<br>Michael P. (HOU) |
| S247  | An Act relative to the continuing education of<br>podiatrists | Keenan, John F.<br>(SEN)       |
| H2380 | An Act relative to updating the licensure of<br>optometrists  | Chan, Tackey<br>(HOU)          |
| S1592 | An Act relative to updating the licensure of<br>optometrists  | Moore, Michael O.<br>(SEN)     |

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Chair Marjorie C. Decker

Joint Committee on Public Health

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Please include "Public Health Committee Testimony, [Relevant Bill Number]" in the subject line of the email. Those who plan to submit only written testimony may do so before or after the signup deadline.

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This hearing will be recorded and archived for later viewing. Those who do not plan to testify but want to watch the public hearing may view the livestream under the Hearings & Events section of the [legislative website](#).

If you have any questions, you may email [Ramla.Hagi@mahouse.gov](mailto:Ramla.Hagi@mahouse.gov) and [Matthew.Murphy@masenate.gov](mailto:Matthew.Murphy@masenate.gov).

Sincerely,

**Matt Murphy, J.D.**

**Legislative Director**

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Thanks for the quick responses! I'll connect with Kate about how the December 16 agenda is shaping up. If it's tight, I'll circle back with a doodle to find a time for a separate meeting.

Oami Amarasingham  
Deputy Director, MPHA  
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Sounds good - thank you!

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:35 AM Cheryl Sbarra <[sbarra@mahb.org](mailto:sbarra@mahb.org)> wrote:

Jackie Doane, from MTCP is happy to come to discuss the Jull settlement with CLPH.  
Do you want to discuss both issues in December?

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:33 AM Oami Amarasingham

<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

I think Cheryl is essential to our conversation about this legislation so let's either hold our discussion until the December 16 meeting, or if that agenda is packed I can find a separate time for some of us to connect about the bill.

Oami Amarasingham  
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I will be in Plymouth District Court on a tobacco violation that day and won't be able to be on the call.

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:26 AM Oami Amarasingham

<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

You may have seen in the news yesterday/today that state legislators (Reps Vitolo + Lipper-Garabedian and Sen. Lewis) plan to file a Nicotine Free Generation Bill in the upcoming session: <https://www.masslive.com/politics/2024/11/mass-bill-would-prohibit-tobacco-sales-to-anyone-born-after-specific-date.html>

Can we put this on the agenda for Monday's internal CLPH discussion?

Thanks!

Oami Amarasingham  
Deputy Director, MPHA  
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Please forgive the double email - I knew there was something missing. Please find the notes from our last meeting attached.



Kate Forrest (she/her/hers)

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I think Cheryl is essential to our conversation about this legislation so let's either hold our discussion until the December 16 meeting, or if that agenda is packed I can find a separate time for some of us to connect about the bill.

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I will be in Plymouth District Court on a tobacco violation that day and won't be able to be on the call.

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:26 AM Oami Amarasingham  
<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

You may have seen in the news yesterday/today that state legislators (Reps Vitolo + Lipper-Garabedian and Sen. Lewis) plan to file a Nicotine Free Generation Bill in the upcoming session: <https://www.masslive.com/politics/2024/11/mass-bill-would-prohibit-tobacco-sales-to-anyone-born-after-specific-date.html>

Can we put this on the agenda for Monday's internal CLPH discussion?

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Thanks for the questions, Kate.

1. Personally I think that the training academy project is a higher priority than MTCP discussion, unless there has been an announcement with more details about the settlement. 2
2. I wonder if we should try to schedule an additional, shorter meeting for the MTCP discussion. Perhaps an hour long meeting on 3/17? (Or maybe extend out one of the other meetings by 30 to 45 minutes?)

On Tue, Feb 18, 2025 at 11:48 AM Katherine Forrest <[kforrest@mapublichealth.org](mailto:kforrest@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

Quick follow-up to my last email. I received a number of presentation requests from OLRH March - April, copied below. Keep in mind that we have tentatively planned a discussion with MTCP re: JUUL settlement funding on March 10th. With that in mind, I'm hoping you all can help me answer the following:

1. **What is a better use of time on 3/10 - discussion with MTCP or OLRH on the LPH training academy project?**
2. **If we decide to push the 3/10 discussion with MTCP out, when should it take place?**

If you could let me know your thoughts by EOD tomorrow, that would be much appreciated. Thank you!

| CLPH Meetings | Agenda Items                                                                                                        | Person(s)       | Time       |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| <b>March</b>  |                                                                                                                     |                 |            |
| 10-Mar        | Present key informant interviews on the LPH training academy project                                                | Jessica Tracy   | 40 minutes |
| 24-Mar        | Local Public Health Data Solution (DS) Update and High-Level Training Plan.                                         | DS team         | 40 minutes |
| <b>April</b>  |                                                                                                                     |                 |            |
| 7-Apr         | Seeking feedback about how to present the results of the FPHS Review to LPH (as we did for the Capacity Assessment) | Cassandra/Katie | 30 minutes |

Best,



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Good morning, CLPH!

Hope you're staying warm on this frigid morning! I'm reaching out with a reminder that **next week's CLPH meeting on 2/24** will look a little different than usual. At 2pm, please click on the Zoom link provided by JJR for the LPH funding sustainability focus group. The focus group will run for one hour. At 3pm, we will exit the focus group and click on our usual CLPH Zoom link for the remaining 30 minutes. See agenda below:

**[\[CLICK ON JJR ZOOM LINK\]:](#)**

**2:00pm – LPH funding sustainability focus group** (*JJR Consulting*)

**[\[SWITCH TO REGULAR ZOOM LINK\]:](#)**

**3:00pm – Internal debrief + discussion** (*all*)

**3:25pm – Building out next agenda** (*Kate Forrest, MPHA*)

Later today, I will forward you JJR calendar invite and adjust our coalition meeting invite to reflect these changes. Please let me know if you have any questions about how to join. As always, notes from 2/10 are attached along with an **internal, confidential** screen grab of the draft ADU guidance (thanks again, Mike!).

Best,



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Yes, I agree Tim. Thank you!

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Thanks Oami.

My two cents is that it would still make a lot of sense to have MAPHN and MLCHC sign onto the letter. Tiff and Gail? Shin-Yi, Nancy, and Karin?

On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 1:50 PM Oami Amarasingham

<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

I also wanted to flag that we have a [near final draft of public comment](#) on the ADU regulations. The letter must be filed tomorrow, so if folks can take a look and make any final comments and edits **today (Thursday)** that would be great. The letter was developed/discussed at the legislative subcommittee (Phoebe, Cheryl, Mike, Tim, Teresa, Shin-Yi, Carlene, Kate, me). Given the content, I think it makes sense for the letter to be signed by MEHA, MHOA, MAHB, WMPHA, and MPHA. I am less sure about MAPHN and MLCHC. Can each org take a look at the letter and confirm your sign on (or let me know if your org wants to sit it out)? Tim, Phoebe, and Mike, if one or two of you could also do a close read to make sure what I wrote actually makes sense and help me fix anything that doesn't that would be much appreciated. I will plan to submit tomorrow afternoon.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VGLI53XvB8ZF0iw4njYzf601c2l3ZKIUUnNGCRUIzzk/edit?tab=t.0>

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Thanks everyone! Based on your input, here's the agenda for Monday 1/13:

**2:00pm – General DPH updates** (*Rachael Cain, OLRH*)

**2:15pm – DEP updates** (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**\*state partners depart, BUSPH joins\***

**2:30pm – LPHIT update** (*Angela Margardino, BUSPH*)

**3:00pm – Internal debrief + discussion** (*all*)

**3:25pm – Building out next agenda** (*Kate Forrest, MPHA*)

Given the timeliness of implementing SAPHE 2.0 and there being no new information on the JUUL settlement, I'll bump MTCP to one of our February meetings so we that can reserve the 27<sup>th</sup> for discussion with OLRH. As always, I attached the notes and slides from our last meeting for you to view.

Final note: I want to draw your attention to the request below from DEP regarding ADUs. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best,

Kate

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*Dear CLPH Leadership and Members*

*MassDEP recognizes the significance of the recently passed Affordable Homes Act (AHA), Chapter 150 of the Acts of 2024, on the responsibilities of Boards of Health. The AHA incentivizes Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as one mechanism to address the housing shortage in the Commonwealth. MassDEP is developing guidance on Title 5 approval of ADUs authorized by the AHA for use by Boards of Health and the public. We intend to have this guidance available prior to the effective date of Section 8 the AHA which is February 2, 2025. In addition to the guidance, MassDEP intends to address questions submitted to us by Boards of Health through a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. The FAQ will be a living document that may be amended from time to time to address additional questions as they arise. MassDEP invites CLPH members to submit questions for MassDEP's consideration and response. Questions should be directed to Andrea Briggs at [andrea.briggs@mass.gov](mailto:andrea.briggs@mass.gov) and we would like to receive questions by the end of January 2025. When submitting questions, please provide contact information of the person submitting the question in the event clarification of the submitted question is needed. Please be aware that MassDEP cannot provide legal opinions on municipal ordinances or by-laws. Municipal Counsel should be consulted for questions involving the effect of the*

*AHA on municipal ordinances or by-laws.*

*Thank you,*

*Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management, MassDEP*



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Thanks Kate.

I'd say that LPHIT is important, but that we could/should accommodate Rachael on the 13th.

I'd also say that SAPHE 2.0 implementation might be a more pressing issue than the Juul Settlement, although I'd specifically want to get Cheryl's feedback on that point. So if both items are pressing, then maybe we have a meeting on January 27th that's almost entirely external with just a few minutes at the end for internal debrief.

Thanks,  
TMM

On Tue, Jan 7, 2025 at 1:30 PM Katherine Forrest <[kforrest@mapublichealth.org](mailto:kforrest@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Happy New Year, CLPH!

We are officially one week into 2025 and things have already kicked into high gear. As you know, our **first coalition meeting of 2025 is next Monday, January 13th from 2-3:30pm.** Today, I need your help to confirm Monday's agenda and prioritize discussion through the end of the month.

When we said our goodbyes before the holidays, there were two external discussion requests on the table:

1. LPHIT update from BUSPH on January 13th, and
2. Discussion on JUUL settlement funds with MTCP on January 27th.

Since then, OLRH also made two requests for January. Rachael would like 10-15 minutes for general updates on 1/13 and about 40 minutes to discuss implementation of SAPHE 2.0 on 1/27. Of course, meeting time is limited, so here's where your input is needed. My questions for the group are:

- Does LPHIT remain a priority for Monday's discussion? If so, does CLPH prefer

to keep this an internal discussion (without OLRH/DEP in the room)? In that case, I would suggest that OLRH hold their general updates until the next meeting.

- Between SAPHE 2.0 implementation and JUUL settlement funds, which feels timelier for 1/27? Unless we dip into our internal portion of the meeting, one of these topics will likely need to be moved to a date in February.

**Please let me know your thoughts by EOD tomorrow.** I'll use your responses to create a draft agenda for the group to confirm. Thank you!

Best,



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I also agree.

Best,  
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Thanks Oami.

My two cents is that it would still make a lot of sense to have MAPHN and MLCHC sign onto the letter. Tiff and Gail? Shin-Yi, Nancy, and Karin?

On Thu, Jan 9, 2025 at 1:50 PM Oami Amarasingham

<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

I also wanted to flag that we have a [near final draft of public comment](#) on the ADU regulations. The letter must be filed tomorrow, so if folks can take a look and make any final comments and edits today (Thursday) that would be great. The letter was developed/discussed at the legislative subcommittee (Phoebe, Cheryl, Mike, Tim, Teresa, Shin-Yi, Carlene, Kate, me). Given the content, I think it makes sense for the letter to be signed by MEHA, MHOA, MAHB, WMPHA, and MPHA. I am less sure about MAPHN and MLCHC. Can each org take a look at the letter and confirm your sign on (or let me know if your org wants to sit it out)? Tim, Phoebe, and Mike, if one or two of you could also do a close read to make sure what I wrote actually makes sense and help me fix anything that doesn't that would be much appreciated. I will plan to submit tomorrow afternoon.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VGLI53XvB8ZF0iw4njYzf601c2l3ZKIUUnNGCRUIzzk/edit?tab=t.0>

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Thanks everyone! Based on your input, here's the agenda for Monday 1/13:

2:00pm – General DPH updates (*Rachael Cain, OLRH*)

2:15pm – DEP updates (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**\*state partners depart, BUSPH joins\***

2:30pm – LPHIT update (*Angela Margardino, BUSPH*)

3:00pm – Internal debrief + discussion (*all*)

3:25pm – Building out next agenda (*Kate Forrest, MPHA*)

Given the timeliness of implementing SAPHE 2.0 and there being no new information on the JUUL settlement, I'll bump MTCP to one of our February meetings so we that can reserve the 27<sup>th</sup> for discussion with OLRH. As always, I attached the notes and slides from our last meeting for you to view.

Final note: I want to draw your attention to the request below from DEP regarding ADUs. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best,

Kate

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***Dear CLPH Leadership and Members***

***MassDEP recognizes the significance of the recently passed Affordable Homes Act (AHA), Chapter 150 of the Acts of 2024, on the responsibilities of Boards of Health. The AHA incentivizes Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as one mechanism to address the housing shortage in the Commonwealth. MassDEP is developing guidance on Title 5 approval of ADUs authorized by the AHA for use by Boards of Health and the public. We intend to have this guidance available prior to the effective date of Section 8 the AHA which is February 2, 2025. In addition to the guidance, MassDEP intends to address questions submitted to us by Boards of Health through a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. The FAQ will be a living document that may be amended from time to time to address additional questions as they arise. MassDEP invites CLPH members to submit questions for MassDEP's consideration and response. Questions should be directed to Andrea Briggs at [andrea.briggs@mass.gov](mailto:andrea.briggs@mass.gov) and we would like to receive questions by the end of January 2025. When submitting questions, please provide contact information of the person submitting the question in the event clarification of the submitted question is needed. Please be aware that MassDEP cannot provide legal opinions on municipal ordinances or by-laws. Municipal Counsel should be consulted for questions involving the effect of the AHA on municipal ordinances or by-laws.***

***Thank you,***

***Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management, MassDEP***



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Thanks Kate.

I'd say that LPHIT is important, but that we could/should accommodate Rachael on the 13th.

I'd also say that SAPHE 2.0 implementation might be a more pressing issue than the Juul Settlement, although I'd specifically want to get Cheryl's feedback on that point. So if both items are pressing, then maybe we have a meeting on January 27th that's almost entirely external with just a few minutes at the end for internal debrief.

Thanks,  
TMM

On Tue, Jan 7, 2025 at 1:30 PM Katherine Forrest <[kforrest@mapublichealth.org](mailto:kforrest@mapublichealth.org)>

wrote:

**Happy New Year, CLPH!**

**We are officially one week into 2025 and things have already kicked into high gear. As you know, our first coalition meeting of 2025 is next Monday, January 13th from 2-3:30pm. Today, I need your help to confirm Monday's agenda and prioritize discussion through the end of the month.**

**When we said our goodbyes before the holidays, there were two external discussion requests on the table:**

- 1. LPHIT update from BUSPH on January 13th, and**
- 2. Discussion on JUUL settlement funds with MTCP on January 27th.**

**Since then, OLRH also made two requests for January. Rachael would like 10-15 minutes for general updates on 1/13 and about 40 minutes to discuss implementation of SAPHE 2.0 on 1/27. Of course, meeting time is limited, so here's where your input is needed. My questions for the group are:**

- Does LPHIT remain a priority for Monday's discussion? If so, does CLPH prefer to keep this an internal discussion (without OLRH/DEP in the room)? In that case, I would suggest that OLRH hold their general updates until the next meeting.**
- Between SAPHE 2.0 implementation and JUUL settlement funds, which feels timelier for 1/27? Unless we dip into our internal portion of the meeting, one of these topics will likely need to be moved to a date in February.**

**Please let me know your thoughts by EOD tomorrow. I'll use your responses to create a draft agenda for the group to confirm. Thank you!**

**Best,**



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Ok I made the edit to the STR section of our comment:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VGLI53XvB8ZF0iw4njYzf601c2l3ZKIUUnNGCRUIzzk/edit?tab=t.0>

I'm still cleaning up the intro and will have that done in the next couple hours.

**Phoebe/Laura** can you confirm that WMPHA will sign on? I'm not listing individual names, just org names.

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After discussions with Cape & Island people, I very much am in favor of taking a position of restricting STR in ANY way possible. I think the 2 steps mentioned in Oami's email, "suggest that the regulations restrict ADUs against short term rentals unless (1) owner occupied or (2) municipality takes affirmative steps to authorize STRs in ADUs," are the best we can hope for. It will lead to even more seasonal homelessness on the Cape and Islands if we were to see unfettered ability to allow STR's, as that is already a root cause for the homeless encampments such as the one in the MV State Forest, and the migration to campgrounds on the outer Cape, as well as the beach-dwellers on Nantucket.

Also, with the new innovative septic regulations on the C&I, we need to be hyper-aware of potential nitrogen loading issues as more stress is placed on already overburdened septic systems by the new regional regulations on C&I septic systems. The latest number I have heard for upgrading septics is now about \$50,000, which is \$20K *over* the amount DEP projected when they rolled this program out! Then, again, an ADU could raise the needed money for that mandatory improvement, so it is truly a two-edged sword.

My 2 cents

Mike

On Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 9:04 AM Oami Amarasingham <[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Phoebe, do you mean the AHA prevented ADUs being restricted owner-occupied or the AHA prevented STR in ADUs being restricted to owner occupied? If the former, we could still suggest that the regulations restrict ADUs against short term rentals unless (1) owner occupied or (2) municipality takes affirmative steps to authorize STRs in ADUs. I'm in meetings for the next few hours and will come back to this at around 1.

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Laura, the state law prevented restricting them to owner occupied.

Phoebe Walker

On Jan 9, 2025, at 8:25 PM, Oami Amarasingham <[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

I can make that edit. Are others ok with the slight shift that Laura suggests?

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I apologize I am just looking at this now – as I stated in the comment I just added I would like to see our recommendations on STRs be a bit more nuanced, to recognize the difference between an owner-occupied residence and a non-owner-occupied residence. I am happy to see the latter prohibited from using the ADU as a short-term rental, but for those in areas like the Berkshires not being able to use part of their home/ADU as a STR could be the difference between keeping their home and not. I just think there is a difference between owner occupied and non-owner occupied and we should differentiate that.

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Hi all,

I also wanted to flag that we have a [near final draft of public comment](#) on the ADU regulations. The letter must be filed tomorrow, so if folks can take a look and make any final comments and edits **today (Thursday)** that would be great. The letter was developed/discussed at the legislative subcommittee (Phoebe, Cheryl, Mike, Tim, Teresa, Shin-Yi, Carlene, Kate, me). Given the content, I think it makes sense for the letter to be signed by MEHA, MHOA, MAHB, WMPHA, and MPHA. I am less sure about MAPHN and MLCHC. Can each org take a look at the letter and confirm your sign on (or let me know if your org wants to sit it out)? Tim, Phoebe, and Mike, if one or two of you could also do a close read to make sure what I wrote actually makes sense and help me fix anything that doesn't that would be much appreciated. I will plan to submit tomorrow afternoon.

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Thanks everyone! Based on your input, here's the agenda for Monday 1/13:

**2:00pm – General DPH updates** (*Rachael Cain, OLRH*)

**2:15pm – DEP updates** (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**\*state partners depart, BUSPH joins\***

**2:30pm – LPHIT update** (*Angela Margardino, BUSPH*)

**3:00pm – Internal debrief + discussion** (*all*)

**3:25pm – Building out next agenda** (*Kate Forrest, MPHA*)

Given the timeliness of implementing SAPHE 2.0 and there being no new information on the JUUL settlement, I'll bump MTCP to one of our February meetings so we that can reserve the 27<sup>th</sup> for discussion with OLRH. As always, I attached the notes and slides from our last meeting for you to view.

Final note: I want to draw your attention to the request below from DEP regarding ADUs. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best,

Kate

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*Dear CLPH Leadership and Members*

*MassDEP recognizes the significance of the recently passed Affordable Homes Act (AHA), Chapter 150 of the Acts of 2024, on the responsibilities of Boards of Health. The AHA incentivizes Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as one mechanism to address the housing shortage in the Commonwealth. MassDEP is developing guidance on Title 5 approval of ADUs authorized by the AHA for use by Boards of Health and the public. We intend to have this guidance available prior to the effective date of Section 8 the AHA which is February 2, 2025. In addition to the guidance, MassDEP intends to address questions submitted to us by Boards of Health through a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. The FAQ will be a living document that may be amended from time to time to address additional questions as they arise. MassDEP invites CLPH members to submit questions for MassDEP's consideration and response. Questions should be directed to Andrea Briggs at [andrea.briggs@mass.gov](mailto:andrea.briggs@mass.gov) and we would like to receive questions by the end of January 2025. When submitting questions, please provide contact information of the person submitting the question in the event clarification of the submitted question is needed. Please be aware that MassDEP cannot provide legal opinions on municipal ordinances or by-laws. Municipal Counsel should be consulted for questions involving the effect of the AHA on municipal ordinances or by-laws.*

*Thank you,*

*Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management, MassDEP*

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Thanks Kate.

I'd say that LPHIT is important, but that we could/should accommodate Rachael on the 13th.

I'd also say that SAPHE 2.0 implementation might be a more pressing issue than the Juul Settlement, although I'd specifically want to get Cheryl's feedback on that point. So if both items are pressing, then maybe we have a meeting on January 27th that's almost entirely external with just a few minutes at the end for internal debrief.

Thanks,  
TMM

On Tue, Jan 7, 2025 at 1:30 PM Katherine Forrest <[kforrest@mapublichealth.org](mailto:kforrest@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Happy New Year, CLPH!

We are officially one week into 2025 and things have already kicked into high gear. As you know, our **first coalition meeting of 2025 is next Monday, January 13th from 2-3:30pm**. Today, I need your help to confirm Monday's agenda and prioritize discussion through the end of the month.

When we said our goodbyes before the holidays, there were two external discussion requests on the table:

1. LPHIT update from BUSPH on January 13th, and
2. Discussion on JUUL settlement funds with MTCP on January 27th.

Since then, OLRH also made two requests for January. Rachael would like 10-15 minutes for general updates on 1/13 and about 40 minutes to discuss implementation of SAPHE 2.0 on 1/27. Of course, meeting time is limited, so here's where your input is needed. My questions for the group are:

- Does LPHIT remain a priority for Monday's discussion? If so, does CLPH prefer to keep this an internal discussion (without OLRH/DEP in the room)? In that case, I would suggest that OLRH hold their general updates until the next meeting.
- Between SAPHE 2.0 implementation and JUUL settlement funds, which feels timelier for 1/27? Unless we dip into our internal portion of the meeting, one of these topics will likely need to be moved to a date in February.

**Please let me know your thoughts by EOD tomorrow.** I'll use your responses to create a draft agenda

for the group to confirm. Thank you!

Best,

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Hi all,

Thanks for quick feedback on this letter. I just submitted. The final letter is attached.

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Agreed, letter looks great.

Thanks Oami!

On Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 2:11 PM Laura Kittross <[lkittross@berkshireplanning.org](mailto:lkittross@berkshireplanning.org)> wrote:

Thanks for the changes; they look great. Phoebe us checking with wmpa now.

On Jan 10, 2025, at 1:53 PM, Oami Amarasingham <[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

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Ok I made the edit to the STR section of our comment:

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I'm still cleaning up the intro and will have that done in the next couple hours.

**Phoebe/Laura** can you confirm that WMPHA will sign on? I'm not listing individual names, just org names.

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After discussions with Cape & Island people, I very much am in favor of taking a position of restricting STR in ANY way possible. I think the 2 steps mentioned in Oami's email, "suggest that the regulations restrict ADUs against short term rentals unless (1) owner occupied or (2) municipality takes affirmative steps to authorize STRs in ADUs," are the best we can hope for. It will lead to even more seasonal homelessness on the Cape and Islands if we were to see unfettered ability to allow STR's, as that is already a root cause for the homeless encampments such as the one in the MV State Forest, and the migration to campgrounds on the outer Cape, as well as the beach-dwellers on Nantucket.

Also, with the new innovative septic regulations on the C&I, we need to be hyper-aware of potential nitrogen loading issues as more stress is placed on already overburdened septic systems by the new regional regulations on C&I septic systems. The latest number I have heard for upgrading septs is now about \$50,000, which is \$20K *over* the amount DEP projected when they rolled this program out! Then, again, an ADU could raise the needed money for that mandatory improvement, so it is truly a two-edged sword.

My 2 cents

Mike

On Fri, Jan 10, 2025 at 9:04 AM Oami Amarasingham <[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Phoebe, do you mean the AHA prevented ADUs being restricted owner-occupied or the AHA prevented STR in ADUs being restricted to owner occupied? If the former, we could still suggest that the regulations restrict ADUs against short term rentals unless (1) owner occupied or (2) municipality takes affirmative steps to authorize STRs in ADUs. I'm in meetings for the next few hours and will come back to this at around 1.

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Laura, the state law prevented restricting them to owner occupied.  
Phoebe Walker

On Jan 9, 2025, at 8:25 PM, Oami Amarasingham <[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

I can make that edit. Are others ok with the slight shift that Laura suggests?

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I apologize I am just looking at this now – as I stated in the comment I just added I would like to see our recommendations on STRs be a bit more nuanced, to recognize the difference between an owner-occupied residence and a non-owner-occupied residence. I am happy to see the latter prohibited from using the ADU as a short-term rental, but for those in areas like the Berkshires not being able to use part of their home/ADU as a STR could be the difference between keeping their home and not. I just think there is a difference between owner occupied and non-owner occupied and we should differentiate that.

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Hi all,

I also wanted to flag that we have a [near final draft of public comment](#) on the ADU regulations. The letter must be filed tomorrow, so if folks can take a look and make any final comments and edits **today (Thursday)** that would be great. The letter was developed/discussed at the legislative subcommittee (Phoebe, Cheryl, Mike, Tim, Teresa, Shin-Yi, Carlene, Kate, me). Given the content, I think it makes sense for the letter to be signed by MEHA, MHOA, MAHB, WMPHA, and MPHA. I am less sure about MAPHN and MLCHC. Can each org take a look at the letter and confirm your sign on (or let me know if your org wants to sit it out)? Tim, Phoebe, and Mike, if one or two of you could also do a close read to make sure what I wrote actually makes sense and help me fix anything that doesn't that would be much appreciated. I will plan to submit tomorrow afternoon.

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Thanks everyone! Based on your input, here's the agenda for Monday 1/13:

**2:00pm** – General DPH updates (*Rachael Cain, OLRH*)

**2:15pm** – DEP updates (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**\*state partners depart, BUSPH joins\***

**2:30pm** – LPHIT update (*Angela Margardino, BUSPH*)

**3:00pm** – Internal debrief + discussion (*all*)

**3:25pm** – Building out next agenda (*Kate Forrest, MPHA*)

Given the timeliness of implementing SAPHE 2.0 and there being no new information on the JUUL settlement, I'll bump MTCP to one of our February meetings so we that can reserve the 27<sup>th</sup> for discussion with OLRH. As always, I attached the notes and slides from our last meeting for you to view.

Final note: I want to draw your attention to the request below from DEP regarding ADUs. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Best,

Kate

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*Dear CLPH Leadership and Members*

*MassDEP recognizes the significance of the recently passed Affordable Homes Act (AHA), Chapter 150 of the Acts of 2024, on the responsibilities of Boards of Health. The AHA incentivizes Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) as one mechanism to address the housing shortage in the Commonwealth. MassDEP is developing guidance on Title 5 approval of ADUs authorized by the AHA for use by Boards of Health and the public. We intend to have this guidance available prior to the effective date of Section 8 the AHA which is February 2, 2025. In addition to the guidance, MassDEP intends to address questions submitted to us by Boards of Health through a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document. The FAQ will be a living document that may be amended from time to time to address additional questions as they arise. MassDEP invites CLPH members to submit questions for MassDEP's consideration and response. Questions should be directed to Andrea Briggs at [andrea.briggs@mass.gov](mailto:andrea.briggs@mass.gov) and we would like to receive questions by the end of January 2025. When submitting questions, please provide contact information of the person submitting the question in the event clarification of the submitted question is needed. Please be aware that MassDEP cannot provide legal opinions on municipal ordinances or by-laws. Municipal Counsel should be consulted for questions involving the effect of the AHA on municipal ordinances or by-laws.*

*Thank you,*

*Lealdon Langley, Director, Division of Watershed Management, MassDEP*

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Thanks Kate.

I'd say that LPHIT is important, but that we could/should accommodate Rachael on the 13th.

I'd also say that SAPHE 2.0 implementation might be a more pressing issue than the Juul Settlement, although I'd specifically want to get Cheryl's feedback on that point. So if both items are pressing, then maybe we have a meeting on January 27th that's almost entirely external with just a few minutes at the end for internal debrief.

Thanks,  
TMM

On Tue, Jan 7, 2025 at 1:30 PM Katherine Forrest <[kforrest@mapublichealth.org](mailto:kforrest@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Happy New Year, CLPH!

We are officially one week into 2025 and things have already kicked into high gear. As you know, our **first coalition meeting of 2025 is next Monday, January 13th from 2-3:30pm**. Today, I need your help to confirm Monday's agenda and prioritize discussion through the end of the month.

When we said our goodbyes before the holidays, there were two external discussion requests on the table:

1. LPHIT update from BUSPH on January 13th, and
2. Discussion on JUUL settlement funds with MTCP on January 27th.

Since then, OLRH also made two requests for January. Rachael would like 10-15 minutes for general updates on 1/13 and about 40 minutes to discuss implementation of SAPHE 2.0 on 1/27. Of course, meeting time is limited, so here's where your input is needed. My questions for the group are:

- Does LPHIT remain a priority for Monday's discussion? If so, does CLPH prefer to keep this an internal discussion (without OLRH/DEP in the room)? In that case, I would suggest that OLRH hold their general updates until the next meeting.
- Between SAPHE 2.0 implementation and JUUL settlement funds, which feels timelier for 1/27? Unless we dip into our internal portion of the meeting, one of these topics will likely need to be moved to a date in February.

**Please let me know your thoughts by EOD tomorrow.** I'll use your responses to create a draft agenda for the group to confirm. Thank you!

Best,

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Hi,

Yes. I can ask our public health director and I'll also email Needham's BOH members (they're less likely to respond). I'll contact them tomorrow but I'm also going to Needham's Public Health Dept. Tuesday anyways so I'll know by Tuesday afternoon the latest. I know Needham also did a racial equity analysis for NFG and I can try to send that over too if that would be helpful.

I'm also trying to ask friends who might know some Dover youth wanting to testify but I'm struggling to find anyone willing. I'm planning to reach out to some adults in Dover as a last ditch effort but for now I haven't gotten any youth yet. Hopefully Shresta's having better luck.

Best,  
Isabel Tashie

On Sun 23 Mar 2025 at 6:59 PM, Anthony Ishak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi All,

I watched the last Dover Board of Health meeting (You can watch the ~20 or so minutes between minutes 20:30-42.March 3 [here](#)) and they had some discussion after I presented to them at the February meeting. Unfortunately, they discussed the topic earlier than scheduled on the agenda so I missed it and opponents had a chance to plant seeds (though I don't think any of them were really helpful, I worry more about the director's hesitancy that they only have 2 retailers).

The next meeting is April 7 and they appear to be trying to gather information as to whether to proceed in considering NFG policy.

Their health director is Jason Belmonte ([jbelmonte@doverma.gov](mailto:jbelmonte@doverma.gov)) and the chair is Kay Petersen ([kpetersen@doverma.gov](mailto:kpetersen@doverma.gov)). I worked with Kay for 3-7 years (I had a job change) when I was at BI. One person voiced wanting to proceed so we only need one more.

It seems like they are really looking for 2 viewpoints:

1. Experience of the youth in their schools. **Isabel and Shresta**, can you see if you can get Dover students or clubs to write-in in favor of this policy and their experiences? If they can speak on 4/7 that would be great. Email Jason and Kay along with the administrative assistant, Suzanne Hilts ([shilts@doverma.gov](mailto:shilts@doverma.gov)).

2. How other communities went about implementing this policy and their experience. **Sigalle, Dean, Susan, and Anthony**; can you send them an email with the experiences of your community's implementation? **Bonny**, can you send the video of the Somerville hearing to them? **Mark and Isabel**, they were particularly interested in the Needham implementation process, can you have someone you know from Needham send them information?

I recognize that time is limited for many of you so an email to them (you can CC me if helpful, but not

needed) would be great and if you can offer to talk to them or attend the meeting than that would be above and beyond. They are not having a public hearing at this time, but exploring whether it is right for them. Natick is moving forward so it would be great to move them in tandem since they border each other and it will likely lead to more seeds in that area.

Thanks

Anthony

**Anthony Ishak Pharm.D. BCPS**

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**From:** [Doug Halley](#)  
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Lisa,

I changed your status from Regular Member to MHOA staff member and updated your expiration date to 12/31/2023. You need to take no further action and should be able to access the MHOA site the same way as you did before.

On Tue, Apr 18, 2023 at 2:45 PM Sarah McColgan <[smccolgan@mhoa.com](mailto:smccolgan@mhoa.com)> wrote:

Hi Doug:

Lisa Cielez is a part-time inspector for our tobacco control program. She is also an employee of the Newton Health Department. Her MHOA membership is about to expire, and I understand from emails with you that she is entitled to a free membership as an employee. The email address for Lisa above is the one that is currently in the database for her. Let us know if you have any questions or if there is anything that Lisa needs to do aside from renewing her membership. Thanks!

Sarah McColgan  
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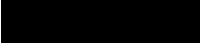
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Thanks for your TA Marty!

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On Tue, May 30, 2023 at 1:45 PM Miarecki, Martin (DPH) <[martin.miarecki@state.ma.us](mailto:martin.miarecki@state.ma.us)> wrote:

Hello,

The notes put into an inspection are helpful but do not automatically get sent anywhere when entered in the system. Any deletions have to be requested from Counter Tools - even I do not have the ability to cancel any visits from the system. I already requested the duplicate for the Sunoco retailer so that will get done within a few days. The other one, since it was a sale to minor, I'm leaving in the system since it was still a sale regardless of the youth "lying" about age - agree we do not want youth to lie about anything during inspections but in the future if this does happen I'd let the judicial process take care of it. (A minor lying about their age should still not get sold a tobacco product - the retail clerk is supposed to see a valid government issued ID).

The naming protocol is up for debate by some programs - I'll have to look and see if its written down somewhere and send it to you. The retailer name for our purposes in POST should be what is on the sign - there is a spot for retailer owner information and permit # etc. Sorry for the confusion on this one, not sure where the ball was dropped. No big deal, you can just adjust them as you continue to go out in the field.

Thanks for the notes,  
Marty

**Marty Miarecki**

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**Subject:** RE: Newton and Waltham

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Hi Sarah and Marty,

A few things:

1. Tried to update those two yellow highlighted cases – let me know if this works. For J&S Mobil visit, the youth inspector originally said he was 21 to the clerk, so we are not counting that as a violation or a completed youth compliance check, since they are not allowed to lie about their age. I thought I had conveyed that in the notes and by saying the inspection was not completed. For Negoshian Enterprises (Elliot St Sunoco in Newton) – this was an accidental duplicate report which I also put in the notes, my tablet restarted while I was still typing and made a duplicate. I put in that inspection report notes that it was a duplicate and to see the other report. I can't delete these, so if the documentation isn't conveying what you need it to, let me know how to correct it.
2. I tried changing the names for the retailers – so let me know if this works. I don't believe we ever had a discussion about a specific naming convention required for POST and didn't see anything about that in the POST user manual. Particularly in Newton, we often incorporated the retailer's given name, so the POST records and reports matched our permit information. If there is a resource you could refer me to that would reflect this better, please let me know.

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**Subject:** Fwd: Newton and Waltham

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**Hi. I'm forwarding this to your Newton email because it involves their data in POST, but I have a feeling that some of the issues may be in Waltham data also. Can you look into correcting the issues, and if you have questions you can contact Marty Miarecki. Thanks!**

**Sarah McColgan**

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**To:** Brush, Mary (DPH) <[mary.brush@state.ma.us](mailto:mary.brush@state.ma.us)>

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Hello,

I know this is a newer area of funding.....who did the training for (I think her name is Lisa) ? I'm seeing a lot of retailer naming issues that will create more work for her in the future with merger conflict resolutions. In the attached list you can see a bunch of retailer names listed by their permit name vs what is on the signage. When the FDA upload occurs and the data is merged it will create conflicts at those retailers.

Also shown in the attached file, hi-lighted in orange there are a few sales that occurred that require more information to be filled out.....namely the price of the product and action taken after the sale - both fields were left blank.

If she has questions on naming retailers, let me know (she can use the Corporation field for those names NOT on the signage).

Let me know if you have any questions,

Marty

**Marty Miarecki**

**FDA Compliance Officer**

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## **Lisa Cielez**

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**From:** Sarah McColgan <smccolgan@mhoa.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 26, 2023 11:08 AM

**To:** Lisa Cielez <lcielesz@newtonma.gov>

**Subject:** Fwd: Newton and Waltham

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Hi. I'm forwarding this to your Newton email because it involves their data in POST, but I have a feeling that some of the issues may be in Waltham data also. Can you look into correcting the issues, and if you have questions you can contact Marty Miarecki. Thanks!

Sarah McColgan  
Mass. Health Officers Association  
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Date: Fri, May 26, 2023 at 10:55 AM

Subject: Newton and Waltham

To: Brush, Mary (DPH) <[mary.brush@state.ma.us](mailto:mary.brush@state.ma.us)>

Cc: Sarah McColgan <[smccolgan@mhoa.com](mailto:smccolgan@mhoa.com)>, Butler, Molly (DPH) <[molly.butler@state.ma.us](mailto:molly.butler@state.ma.us)>

Hello,

I know this is a newer area of funding.....who did the training for (I think her name is Lisa) ? I'm seeing a lot of retailer naming issues that will create more work for her in the future with merger conflict resolutions. In the attached list you can see a bunch of retailer names listed by their permit name vs what is on the signage. When the FDA upload occurs and the data is merged it will create conflicts at those retailers.

Also shown in the attached file, hi-lighted in orange there are a few sales that occurred that require more information to be filled out.....namely the price of the product and action taken after the sale - both fields were left blank.

If she has questions on naming retailers, let me know (she can use the Corporation field for those names NOT on the signage).

Let me know if you have any questions,  
Marty

**Marty Miarecki**

FDA Compliance Officer

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**From:** [Susan Albright](#)  
**To:** [anthony.ishak](#); [mark@phai.org](mailto:mark@phai.org)  
**Cc:** [Jonathan Winickoff](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Newton draft of TFG policy  
**Date:** Thursday, January 2, 2025 3:00:52 PM

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These are great. I'll have them included in the Frday Packet which has the materials for all of next weeks meetings along with a memo from me explaining that there are now 13 cities and towns in or close to being into this program. I'm also sending these out to maybe 50 or 60 "friends" who might be willing to send an email in support of this.

Susan

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**From:** Mark Gottlieb <[mark@phaionline.org](mailto:mark@phaionline.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 2, 2025 1:38 PM  
**To:** anthony ishak <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** Susan Albright <[salbright@newtonma.gov](mailto:salbright@newtonma.gov)>; Jonathan Winickoff <[jwinickoff@mgh.harvard.edu](mailto:jwinickoff@mgh.harvard.edu)>  
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Hi Susan and Happy New Year!

Here is the most recent FAQ as well as a guide to NFG that was created by folks from MAHB, MMA, PHAI, and others. I can get hard copies of these for distribution to members of the ordinance committee, if that's where they might be helpful.

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On Thu, Jan 2, 2025 at 10:32 AM anthony ishak <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Happy New Year Jonathan

Can you send Susan and I the most recent FAQ handout and I'll save it to our resources?

Anthony

On Jan 2, 2025, at 9:50 AM, Susan Albright <[salbright@newtonma.gov](mailto:salbright@newtonma.gov)> wrote:

Is there an updated FAQ or should I use the one from September?

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**From:** Anthony Ishak <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Thursday, November 21, 2024 7:51 PM

**To:** Susan Albright <[salbright@newtonma.gov](mailto:salbright@newtonma.gov)>; Mark Gottlieb  
<[mark@phaionline.org](mailto:mark@phaionline.org)>

**Subject:** Newton draft of TFG policy

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Hi Mark

I spoke with Susan this evening about Newton's interest in TFG/NFG. They apparently have a draft policy done by their legal team and Susan might have you take a look at it in preparation for a January meeting. Likely at this point it would be a 1/1/2005 birthdate.

Susan, I attached a couple of documents for you to use in your newsletter.

Let me know if it will be January 8 or 22 so I can let the rest of our group know and they can attend to support you.

Anthony

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**Cc:** [King, Peter T \(DPH\)](#); [Shin-Yi Lao](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Newton Smoke Free Workplace Complaint  
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**Thanks,**

**Pete**

**Peter T King**

**DPH**

**FDA Compliance Officer**

**781.223.1644**

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**Phone:** [REDACTED]

**Address:** 33 Nonantum Place  
Newton, MA 02458

**Subject**

**Indoor Air Pollution/Smoking - DMH subsidized facilities**

**Comments**

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**To:** [Anthony Ishak](#); [Susan Albright](#); [Katharine Silbaugh](#); [Chui, Anthony](#); [Kate Silbaugh](#)  
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I am doing the field training for the brand new Brookline Collaborative Tobacco Program Manager. Her catchment area includes Watertown. She just started last week and has not met all the Health Directors or Boards in her region yet. She will need to meet with each Board and be appointed as an agent of the Board to be able to do enforcement in each of her municipalities. As a start.

The position was open for a few months. She (Reilly Ellis) will have training and catching up to do before embarking on policy work. MTCP will dictate her priorities.

However, that said, it doesn't mean we can't try to go forward with any community that we think is a possibility. I don't happen to know any key people in any of those communities but if someone does... We just won't be able to expect much assistance from Reilly this early.

I worked with Reilly's predecessor and will help Reilly as much as I can but she has a pretty large and very diverse area (Brookline, Belmont, Arlington, Watertown, Norwood, Randolph and Stoughton). I recently did a round of compliance checks in Belmont and also did a couple of store inspections in Arlington. Both were/are problem stores.

BTW, Reilly and Shin-Li reached out to me today and asked if I could share any retailer and community education materials I have. With a March 1<sup>st</sup> effective date they realize that they have to move quickly. Again, big congrats to Newton!

Maureen

P.S. Saw State Senator Jason Lewis at an event in Stoneham tonight. He mentioned NFG and the state legislation he and Tommy Vitolo just field. He is very, very pleased with NFG progress. I'll reach out to him and ask him if he has any ideas on likely next targets.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, January 22, 2025 9:34 PM  
**To:** Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>; Susan Albright <salbright@newtonma.gov>; Katharine Silbaugh <silbaugh@bu.edu>; Chui, Anthony <achui@cityofmelrose.org>; Kate Silbaugh <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** W towns

Maureen and Susan  
Now that Newton has joined NFG, are able to set our sights on Wellesley (the last town we'd need for Senator Creem), Watertown, Weston, or Waltham?  
Anthony

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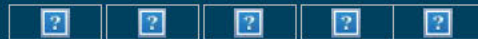
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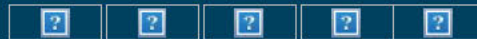
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**To:** [Kyle Simpson](#)  
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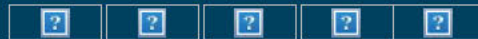
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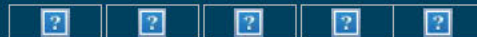
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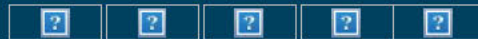
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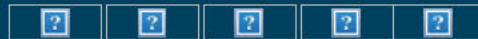
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**From:** [Stephanie Dockery](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Ruthanne Fuller](#)  
**Subject:** Bloomberg Philanthropies Grant Opportunity for U.S. Cities – How to Apply  
**Date:** Friday, January 20, 2023 2:54:55 PM

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Dear Mayor Fuller,

Bloomberg Philanthropies is hosting a webinar for applicants to a new round of the Public Art Challenge, which provides up to \$1M for U.S. Cities. This grant round will offer as many as 10 awards for temporary public art projects with strong public-private partnerships that address critical civic issues. Applications are due February 15 at 5pm EST.

To find out more, we invite you and your team to join us for an informational session on Monday, January 23, 2023, from 1–2 pm EST. Register for the webinar [here](#), and please see our [website](#) for more information on the Public Art Challenge.

Hope to see you soon.

All best,

Stephanie Dockery  
Bloomberg Philanthropies  
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**From:** [Amanda Brangwynne](#)  
**To:** [Amanda Brangwynne](#)  
**Subject:** Correction: Mayors' Confirmation: March 27 in Medford  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 26, 2024 3:28:58 PM

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Good afternoon,

A slight correction to my earlier email: The meeting room (Bonsignore Hall) is on the 2nd floor, which is the same level as the back entrance/parking lot of the building. When entering from the main entrance, you will need to go up one level and there will be signs to direct you.

We encourage you to park at the Condon Shell, as the library has limited parking that we'd like to keep available for patrons.

Please let me know if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing you in Medford tomorrow!

Amanda

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On Tue, Mar 26, 2024 at 1:21 PM Amanda Brangwynne <[abrangwynne@mma.org](mailto:abrangwynne@mma.org)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for registering for tomorrow's Mayors' Meeting at [Charlotte and William Bloomberg Medford Public Library](#) at 111 High St, Medford. Please see the attached agenda and attendee list. The meeting opens at 9:15 am for networking and breakfast, and the meeting will begin promptly at 10 am. The featured topic for this meeting will be navigating teacher strikes. You are also invited to stay after lunch for a session hosted by the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

**Parking:**

Please park at the Condon Shell, which is only a 4-minute walk from the library entrance. A map detailing the parking and meeting locations and directions is attached. The address and link to Google Maps directions to the Condon Shell are [2501 Mystic Valley Pkwy, Medford, MA 02155](#).

We will be meeting in **Bonsignore Hall**. The room is on the 2nd floor of the building, but it is on the same floor as the main entrance. Directional signs will be posted.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at [REDACTED] I look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Best,  
Amanda

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**From:** [Gabriel O'Hara](#)  
**To:** [Health](#)  
**Subject:** Daily Free Press - Request for Interview  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 26, 2025 10:42:59 AM

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Dear City of Newton Health and Human Services,

I hope this mail finds you well. I write to you from the Daily Free Press, Boston University's student-run newspaper. We were looking to run a story about the implementation of Newton's "Nicotine-Free Generation" initiative and gauge the impact it could have, as well as how the city is looking to enforce it.

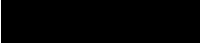
Do you think it would be possible to schedule a short interview with one of your representatives for this week to talk about the law, its potential impact and what the city has already been doing with it?

Thank you very much in advance. I hope to hear from you soon.

Kind regards,

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**Gabriel O'Hara Salini**  
Journalism Graduate Student - Boston University



**From:** Gonzalez, Raul  
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**Date:** Thursday, April 20, 2023 11:57:53 AM  
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Hi all!

In case you haven't seen, EEA has released its next round of Planning Assistance Grant Funding. Please see here for more details: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/fy-24-planning-assistance-grant-bid-document/download>. Applications are due May 26<sup>th</sup>!

Thanks,  
Raul

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**From:** [Corps Member](#)  
**To:** [Linda M. Walsh](#)  
**Subject:** FDA Tobacco Violation  
**Date:** Thursday, August 31, 2023 9:14:49 AM  
**Attachments:** [MTCP Tobacco Inspection Letter.pdf](#)

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Dear Newton Board of Health,

The Massachusetts Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program recently conducted a tobacco retail inspection/compliance check. This email is being sent to notify you that vendor(s) in your municipality have violated the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. Please read the attached letter for more information.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email or call Sarah using the contact information provided below.

Best regards,

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**Sarah McColgan**  
MHOA | *Tobacco Control Program Director*  
[smccolgan@mhoa.com](mailto:smccolgan@mhoa.com)

**Noor Safar**  
APHC | *Corps Member*

The Massachusetts Health Officers Association (MHOA) Tobacco Control Program is a technical assistance program available to public health departments in Massachusetts cities and towns. The Tobacco Control Program is funded through a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Technical assistance provided by MHOA to local boards of health does not constitute legal advice. Contact your city or town counsel when legal questions or requests for legal advice arise.

**From:** [Amber Wei](#)  
**To:** [Health](#)  
**Cc:** [William Pugh](#)  
**Subject:** Follow Up: American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative Newton  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 8:01:38 AM

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Dear Newton Public Health Department,

Hello! My name is Amber Wei, and I am working with the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative ([ALCSI](#)) to increase lung cancer screening rates nationwide. Despite 8 million U.S adults qualifying for lung cancer screening, national screening rates have remained abysmally low.

Given that a major part of the eligibility criteria overlaps pertains to individuals who smoke, I am interested to hear more about **the potential to implement lung cancer screening labels on tobacco products or signage in the city of Newton, MA.**

Massachusetts has been a leader in local tobacco policy as seen in the birthdate ban on cigarettes in Brookline (2021) or the Tobacco 21 in Needham (2005). The city of Newton has also taken initiative through the Regulation Governing Tobacco and Nicotine Delivery Product Sales and Permits in 2019. We would like to build off of these precedents knowing that making a significant difference and saving thousands of lives begins at the local level to catalyze great impact.

My team and I are excited at the opportunity to meet with you over Zoom to discuss this initiative, and are seeking your guidance as you are a key advocate for banning tobacco products. Our main goal is to understand the process of outlawing tobacco products, and also to see how we can implement potential signage at the local level to help catalyze motions at the national level.

Would you be open to a Zoom call some time in the coming week(s)?

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Gratefully,

Amber Wei

**From:** Gonzalez, Raul  
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Q12023 Program Description Final 3.13.23.pdf

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Hi all,

Funding opportunities abound! I was having a hard time logging in to the DEI webpage, so in the interim (and given the quick turnaround) you can find them all below:

## FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

*Application Deadline: April 14, 2023*

The Office of Grants and Research (OGR) is the State Administrative Agency (SAA) for all funds received by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). As such, OGR manages and administers the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) in Massachusetts.

This program provides federal funds to assist nonprofit organizations that are at high-risk of a hate crime or terrorist attack. Funding support is for target hardening and other physical security enhancements to nonprofit organizations only.

### Nonprofit Security Grant Program Application

**WHAT:** FEDERAL GRANT. PLEASE NOTE THE TIGHT APPLICATION DEADLINE!  
<https://www.mass.gov/how-to/nonprofit-security-grant-program>

**WHEN:** The Application Deadline is April 14, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. (EST)

**Anticipated Award Announcement:** September 2023

**Performance Period:** November 2023-December 2025

**WHERE:** To apply, click on the link to [Complete the online application](#).  
For a one-stop listing of all FY23 Mass Cultural Council grant opportunities, please visit:  
<https://massculturalcouncil.org/programs-at-a-glance/>

For questions, Festivals & Projects program staff can be reached at 617-858-2821.

### [The Social Enterprise Capital Grant program is now accepting applications for FY2024 awards.](#)

The Social Enterprise Capital Grant Program is administered by the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED) to support various costs related to the development of eligible facilities, specifically the purchase and/or renovation of a property owned by a nonprofit and utilized for a social enterprise.

The program will make capital grants, on a competitive basis, to projects that meet the eligibility and specific requirements of the program. Specifically, this grant is designed to support employment social enterprises that sell goods and services while providing supportive services for individuals who face significant barriers to employment.

For the purposes of this program, an employment social enterprise is defined as a discrete or embedded business venture operated by a mission-driven nonprofit organization with programming focused on hiring and assisting people who face barriers to employment. The organization must offer paid employment opportunities to low-income individuals, with priority to socially and economically disadvantaged populations who experience complex needs and barriers to employment that require intensive interventions.

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| <b>Total Grant Funds Available</b> | <b>\$2,000,000</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Grant Request Amount</b>        | <b>Up to \$1,000,000</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Number of Awards</b>            | Multiple (Estimate: 2 - 8 grant awards)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Contract Payment Terms</b>      | At the time of award, EOHED will work with grantee to develop a final scope and budget for the grant. All grant funds will be disbursed on a cost reimbursement basis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Grant use</b>                   | Reimbursement of capital costs related to the development of eligible facilities owned (or to be owned) and operated by and for non-profit social enterprise organizations, in the following categories:<br><b>Acquisition of Real Estate, and/or<br/>Repair, Rehabilitation, and/or Renovation of Real Estate (may include purchase and installation of necessary industrial equipment)</b> |
| <b>Performance Period</b>          | Grants will be awarded to support projects that can be completed between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

For more information, including the RFP, application link, and informational webinar registration, please visit [Mass.gov: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/social-enterprise-capital-grant-program?avHash=9qrs0C9acWZq3LBYmY\\_DQ4pZY\\_B82WO4xTm2eVJBrg4](https://www.mass.gov/service-details/social-enterprise-capital-grant-program?avHash=9qrs0C9acWZq3LBYmY_DQ4pZY_B82WO4xTm2eVJBrg4)

EDA has received additional funding for those regions and communities in Massachusetts impacted by natural disasters that occurred in FY21 & FY22. These Disaster Declarations are not associated with any COVID related injuries and only those injuries that occurred due to the result of the Severe Winter Storm and FY21 (FEMA Declarations Nos. 4651) and Tropical Storm Henri in FY22 (FEMA Declaration No. 3566). Below you will find a list of those areas in MA eligible under the cited FEMA Declarations, to apply for potential funding for executing eligible activities.

Please see the link below to obtain more information and details provided for each of the specific FEMA Declarations. If your communities were impacted by these events and you would like to speak to me pertaining to potential financial assistance needed, please contact me as soon as possible as EDA will work to utilize the available FY21 & FY22 Disaster funds prior to the end of the Federal Fiscal Year end date of September 30, 2023. The release of EDA's Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) that will provide further information on this funding and the types of eligible activities that will be considered for funding, is scheduled to be released to the public in the next few days. I will issue this NOFO announcement at that time.

<https://www.fema.gov/disaster/declarations>

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| MA | Bristol (County)(in (P) MSA<br>1120,1200,2480,5400,6060)<br>Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe<br>Norfolk (County)(in PMSA 1120,1200,6060)<br>Suffolk (County) |
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The Public Finance Initiative (PFI), PFM Group Consulting LLC (PFM GC), PFM Financial Advisors (PFM FA, collectively with PFM GC, PFM), and the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE) are pleased to announce the launch of the technical assistance and grant opportunity for the Bond Markets and Racial Equity Project ("the Program"), a bold effort to create [a new framework](#) that centers racial equity in municipal bond- funded projects and capital investments funded with the support of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

#### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OVERVIEW

The Program will bring together an initial cohort of government leaders to receive free technical assistance, led by PFM – a first-of-its-kind opportunity for municipalities, state authorities, and other bond issuers and borrowers who want to enhance how they center racial equity in a bond issuance. GARE will provide a data workshop for participants to help them measure and assess indicators of social equity in their jurisdictions using ARCGis Esri's Social Equity Analysis Tool.

Issuers who join the program will be contributing to an extremely relevant and impactful movement within the public finance sphere and will have the opportunity to share promising emerging practices in the field of racial equity with other municipal market participants.

In addition to achieving the issuer's initial goal, PFM prioritizes capacity building where possible, and will provide each issuer with ample documentation on methodology, findings, and recommendations to support them. Issuers selected for the Program will also be encouraged to share the results of their project and lessons learned with the field via case studies and other story-telling opportunities.

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**From:** [Josie Ahlberg](#)  
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**Date:** Friday, June 16, 2023 2:04:55 PM  
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Committee members, please see the email below for more information on the MassDEP Service Line Inventory and new technical assistance programs. More follow up materials from Wednesday's policy committee meeting soon to come!

Thank you, and have a fantastic weekend!  
Josie Ahlberg (she/her)  
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**From:** Director-DWP, Program (DEP) <[program.director-dwp@mass.gov](mailto:program.director-dwp@mass.gov)>  
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**Subject:** Important Notice on Free Technical Assistance: MassDEP Service Line Inventory and Lead Service Line Replacement Plan Technical Assistance Program for Small Public Water Systems  
**Importance:** High



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#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE ON FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

**Re: MassDEP Service Line Inventory and Lead Service Line Replacement Plan Technical Assistance Program for Small Public Water Systems**

Dear Public Water Suppliers,

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) is announcing a new free Assistance Program which will provide technical assistance to small Community (COM) and Non-Transient, Non-Community (NTNC) Public Water Systems (PWS) serving less than 10,000 individuals for Service Line Inventory (SLI) and Lead Service Line Replacement Plan (LSLRP) development ahead of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) requirements.

USEPA's LCRR requires that all PWS develop a SLI by October 16, 2024, which must include both the utility- and privately-owned portions of the service lines. All PWS with lead service lines, galvanized service lines requiring replacement, or service lines of "unknown" material must additionally develop a LSLRP by the deadline. MassDEP recognizes that these are challenging tasks for small

PWS and therefore has developed the SLI and LSLRP Assistance Program to provide support to small PWS as they work to comply with the LCRR.

To support MassDEP's public health protection planning goal of removing all lead service lines within five years, MassDEP is working with its partner the University of Massachusetts, Amherst (UMass) and selected qualified environmental consulting firms to provide the free technical assistance to small PWS to develop and submit their LCRR required SLIs and LSLRPs. This Assistance Program is funded from the Lead Service Line Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) grant small systems set-aside funds. Congress made this funding available specifically for small PWS assistance.

## WHAT TO DO TO GET TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE?

Small PWS must notify MassDEP of their interest in this technical assistance and provide an update on how they are preparing for the LCRR requirements by submitting **the survey form located at <https://mass.gov/forms/massdep-service-line-inventory-and-lead-service-line-replacement-plan-technical-assistance-survey>**. PWS will be contacted, and technical assistance will be provided virtually or in person, depending on need and resources.

## WHAT ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED?

### 1. Service Line Inventory Assistance

Small PWS will be provided with assistance in completing a SLI that will meet both federal and state LCRR requirements.

Assistance will consist of help with:

- compiling and validating service line records,
- developing a public outreach strategy encouraging customers to report their service line materials and providing general information about lead health effects and lead service lines,
- combining and digitizing inventory records for appropriate submittal to MassDEP, and
- making the inventory publicly available online.

### 2. Lead Service Line Replacement Plan Assistance

Small PWS will be provided with assistance in establishing a proactive and comprehensive LSLRP. The replacement plan will include but not be limited to:

- a plan to identify the composition of service lines of unknown material,
- a procedure for conducting lead service line replacement,
- a customer outreach strategy,
- risk management policies,
- a prioritization strategy for service line replacement, and
- a funding strategy to accommodate customers unable to replace their portion of the line.

MassDEP is committed to continuing efforts to address lead service lines and exposure to lead in drinking water and to work with PWS to meet the MassDEP public health protection goal of removing all lead service lines in five years.

For more information about lead in drinking water and MassDEP's efforts to address these contaminants, see: <https://www.mass.gov/lead-in-drinking-water>. For more information on preparing for the LCRR, see: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/lead-and-copper-rule-revisions>. If you have further questions about the Assistance Program, please contact MassDEP's Drinking Water Program at [program.director-dwp@mass.gov](mailto:program.director-dwp@mass.gov)

(Subject: Lead Service Line Assistance Program) or 617-292-5770.

Thank you for your interest in this work to inventory and replace lead service lines in your service areas and to protect public health throughout the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,



Yvette DePeiza  
Program Director,  
MassDEP Drinking Water Program

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**From:** [Sarah McColgan](#)  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Newton and Waltham  
**Date:** Friday, May 26, 2023 11:10:09 AM  
**Attachments:** [Newton checks.xlsx](#)

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Hi. I'm forwarding this to your Newton email because it involves their data in POST, but I have a feeling that some of the issues may be in Waltham data also. Can you look into correcting the issues, and if you have questions you can contact Marty Miarecki. Thanks!

Sarah McColgan  
Mass. Health Officers Association  
Tobacco Control Program Director  


The Massachusetts Health Officers Association (MHOA) Tobacco Control Program is a technical assistance program available to public health departments in Massachusetts cities and towns. The Tobacco Control Program is funded through a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Technical assistance provided by MHOA to local boards of health does not constitute legal advice. Contact your city or town counsel when legal questions or requests for legal advice arise.

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Hello,

I know this is a newer area of funding.....who did the training for (I think her name is Lisa) ? I'm seeing a lot of retailer naming issues that will create more work for her in the future with merger conflict resolutions. In the attached list you can see a bunch of retailer names listed by their permit name vs what is on the signage. When the FDA upload occurs and the data is merged it will create conflicts at those retailers.

Also shown in the attached file, hi-lighted in orange there are a few sales that occurred that require more information to be filled out.....namely the price of the product and action taken after the sale - both fields were left blank.

If she has questions on naming retailers, let me know (she can use the Corporation field for

those names NOT on the signage).

Let me know if you have any questions,  
Marty

**Marty Miarecki**

FDA Compliance Officer

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Massachusetts Department of Public Health

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**From:** [Massachusetts Municipal Association](#)  
**To:** [Mayor Ruthanne Fuller](#)  
**Subject:** March Mayors Meeting: Navigating Teacher Strikes  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 28, 2024 2:04:40 PM

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## Massachusetts Mayors' Association Monthly Meeting

*Wednesday, March 27th*

*9:15 am to 1 pm*

[Charlotte and William Bloomberg Medford Public Library](#)

### NAVIGATING TEACHER STRIKES

**Register**

Dear Mayor,

Navigating the complexities of a teacher strike is a difficult job, so don't miss this opportunity to learn best practices from those who have experienced a strike and other experts.

Featured speakers:

- **Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller** will discuss insights she gained during the Newton teacher strike
- **Valerio Dominello & Hillman Attorney Elizabeth Valerio** will offer strategies to implement before and during a teacher strike negotiation
- **Denterlein President Diana Pisciotta** will share tips on communication strategies during a teacher strike

Please join us on Wednesday, March 27 at the [Charlotte and William Bloomberg Medford Public Library](#) to learn more about this timely topic and connect with your fellow mayors. The meeting will begin at 9:15 am and end at 12 pm, followed by lunch. Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn will be your host.

**Register**

Please let me know if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thanks,  
Candace

Candace Pierce  
Senior Executive and Director of Communications & Membership



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Subject: MassDEP's Technical Assistance Grant Application is Now Available!

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June 29, 2023 - MassDEP is pleased to announce that the application for the FY2024-25 Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) is **now available**. This grant opportunity provides \$200,000 in funding, with up to \$20,000 per community or municipal applicant-group selected for an award, to enhance public involvement and promote better understanding of the cleanup of contaminated sites in their communities.

The application deadline is Friday, October 13, 2023.

The TAG application and information about this grant opportunity is available here:

<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/technical-assistance-grants-waste-site-cleanup>

**From:** [Amanda Brangwynne](#)  
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Good afternoon,

Thank you for registering for tomorrow's Mayors' Meeting at [Charlotte and William Bloomberg Medford Public Library](#) at 111 High St, Medford. Please see the attached agenda and attendee list. The meeting opens at 9:15 am for networking and breakfast, and the meeting will begin promptly at 10 am. The featured topic for this meeting will be navigating teacher strikes. You are also invited to stay after lunch for a session hosted by the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

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We will be meeting in **Bonsignore Hall**. The room is on the 2nd floor of the building, but it is on the same floor as the main entrance. Directional signs will be posted.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at [REDACTED] I look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Best,  
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Good Morning,

My name is Amber Wei, and I am a member of the American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative (ALCSI), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to promoting lung cancer screening for people who are at high risk of developing lung cancer. Lung cancer is the deadliest cancer in the United States, killing more people than breast, prostate, and colon cancer combined. Like with most chronic diseases, early detection saves lives, but **less than 6%** of high-risk individuals get screened for lung cancer, compared to 65-80% for other cancers. One of the key factors is a lack of awareness with about 70% of the public not knowing that lung cancer screening exists.

Massachusetts has already been a leader in local tobacco policy as seen in the birthdate ban on cigarettes in Brookline (2021) or the Tobacco 21 in Needham (2005). We would like to facilitate a similar project starting at the local level and would like to speak with your office about the **potential to implement lung cancer screening labels on tobacco products or signage in the city of Newton**. Signage implemented in your city would enable patient awareness of lung cancer screening and simultaneously determine patient eligibility. The National Lung Screening Trial showed a dramatic 20 percent reduction in lung cancer deaths among high-risk patients screening yearly with these low-dose CT scans. We can work together to increase awareness of this disease and save thousands of lives.

Please let us know if you have availability in the next couple of weeks to discuss this initiative.

Thank you so much for your time in advance.

Sincerely,  
Amber Wei

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Hi Doug:

Lisa Cielez is a part-time inspector for our tobacco control program. She is also an employee of the Newton Health Department. Her MHOA membership is about to expire, and I understand from emails with you that she is entitled to a free membership as an employee. The email address for Lisa above is the one that is currently in the database for her. Let us know if you have any questions or if there is anything that Lisa needs to do aside from renewing her membership. Thanks!

Sarah McColgan  
Mass. Health Officers Association  
Tobacco Control Program Director  


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**2:30pm – DEP updates** (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**2:45pm – Internal debrief + discussion** (*all*)

- MAPHN report-out on meeting w/ Caitlin
- Inviting Commissioner Heiple and Asst. Commissioner Garcia-Serrano
- Other?

**3:25pm – Building out next agenda**

Please let me know if you have any questions. Otherwise, happy holidays and see you next week!

Best,



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Hi everyone,

Hope you are feeling the wind in your sails after Oami's announcement that **SAPHE 2.0 was passed into law** through the Eco Dev bill! Congratulations to all once again for this major success in a multi-year effort

Turning our heads back to the daily work, it's time to drill down our next meeting agenda. OLRH has a 20 min presentation on the Local Public Health Data Solutions (LPHDS) scheduled for 12/2 and has requested that our conversation with Caitlin and Jessica on public health nursing be moved to 12/16. What are your thoughts about this arrangement? From what I heard on Monday, I see our options as being:

1. Leave the plan as is - with an update on LPHDS on 12/2 and a conversation about PHN on 12/16.
2. Push back in the interest of time, and request that the PHN conversation happen on 12/2 instead.
3. Have both the LPHDS and PHN conversation on 12/2, recognizing that we may need to sacrifice some of our internal discussion.

The cleaned up feedback doc on the nursing program SOW is [here](#). These talking points will be used to inform our conversation when it occurs. **Please let me know what feels like the best course of action by the end of this week.**

Best,



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I think Cheryl is essential to our conversation about this legislation so let's either hold our discussion until the December 16 meeting, or if that agenda is packed I can find a separate time for some of us to connect about the bill.

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Sounds good - thank you!

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:35 AM Cheryl Sbarra <[sbarra@mahb.org](mailto:sbarra@mahb.org)> wrote:  
Jackie Doane, from MTCP is happy to come to discuss the Jull settlement with CLPH. Do you want to discuss both issues in December?

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:33 AM Oami Amarasingham  
<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

I think Cheryl is essential to our conversation about this legislation so let's either hold our discussion until the December 16 meeting, or if that agenda is packed I can find a separate time for some of us to connect about the bill.

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Hi all,

You may have seen in the news yesterday/today that state legislators (Reps Vitolo + Lipper-Garabedian and Sen. Lewis) plan to file a Nicotine Free Generation Bill in the upcoming session: <https://www.masslive.com/politics/2024/11/mass-bill-would-prohibit-tobacco-sales-to-anyone-born-after-specific-date.html>

Can we put this on the agenda for Monday's internal CLPH discussion?

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I will be in Plymouth District Court on a tobacco violation that day and won't be able to be on the call.

On Tue, Nov 26, 2024 at 9:26 AM Oami Amarasingham  
<[Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org](mailto:Oamarasingham@mapublichealth.org)> wrote:

Hi all,

You may have seen in the news yesterday/today that state legislators (Reps Vitolo + Lipper-Garabedian and Sen. Lewis) plan to file a Nicotine Free Generation Bill in the upcoming session: <https://www.masslive.com/politics/2024/11/mass-bill-would-prohibit-tobacco-sales-to-anyone-born-after-specific-date.html>

Can we put this on the agenda for Monday's internal CLPH discussion?

Thanks!

Oami Amarasingham

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Please forgive the double email - I knew there was something missing. Please find the notes from our last meeting attached.



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Hello, CLPH!

I hope your week is off to a positive start. Thank you to everyone who responded to my last email regarding the CLPH agendas for December. There seems to be consensus around holding the PHN conversation off until 12/16 and hearing the LPHDS update on 12/2, which is reflected in the final agenda below:

**2:00pm – Local Public Health Data Solutions (LPHDS) update** (*Aimee Petrosky, OLRH*)

**2:30pm – DEP updates** (*Andrea Briggs, DEP*)

**2:45pm – Internal debrief + discussion** (*all*)

- MAPHN report-out on meeting w/ Caitlin
- Inviting Commissioner Heiple and Asst. Commissioner Garcia-Serrano
- Other?

**3:25pm – Building out next agenda**

Please let me know if you have any questions. Otherwise, happy holidays and see you next week!

Best,



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