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Subject Fwd: Update #226: 9/12/23 Local Public Health Webinar & Updates

There's a link in this to the slides from the most recent webinar. The info about the Master Service Agreement begins on Slide 46. There's a deadline for getting signed up for it.

I hope there's also info for getting signed up for the webinars.

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From: **Office of Local and Regional Health (OLRH) Newsletter** <localregionalpublichealth@mass.gov>
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Special Topic Webinar:

RS/CHO Renewal Process

The OLRH Workforce Development Unit will be hosting a special topic webinar on the Registered Sanitarian and Certified Health Officer credential renewal process on Tuesday September 26th from 3:00 - 4:00 pm.

To access this webinar, please use the same link you have for the monthly Local Public Health Webinars. If you cannot find the link, please register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8PytNXtFSMm8T2woJkGZMQ

Job Opportunity:

Director, MA Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) is seeking an experienced public health professional to join the leadership team within the Bureau of Community Health and Prevention (BCHAP) to serve as Director of the Massachusetts Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program (MTCP). DPH is looking for a dynamic and visionary leader to continue championing strategies to counter tobacco industry tactics and reduce the health and economic burden of tobacco in the Commonwealth. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

All job openings can be found on the [MassCareers](#) website. First consideration will be given to those applicants that apply within the first fourteen (14) days.

Dear Public Health Colleague,

- The next monthly webinar is scheduled on October 10th, 2023, at 3 pm.
- [Click here](#) to view the slides from Tuesday's webinar.
- [Click here](#) to view answers to questions asked during Tuesday's webinar.
- Submit your questions and recommended topics on Wednesday, October 4th, by noon to: localregionalpublichealth@mass.gov
- Click on the following link to register for the remaining 2023 webinars: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8PytNXtFSMm8T2woJkGZMQ

IMPORTANT NOTE: Webinars have moved from bi-weekly to MONTHLY. They will be held on the second (2nd) Tuesday of each month at 3:00 pm. If there are emerging situations or special topics that need to be shared, we will hold special topic webinars as needed.

We want to ensure that our webinar is accessible to our audience. If you need accommodations, such as American Sign language (ASL) or Closed Caption, please email OLRH at localregionalpublichealth@mass.gov.

Key Information and Resources

Massachusetts Migrant Response

- Governor Healey declared a [state of emergency](#) in Massachusetts in response to the rapidly rising number of migrant families arriving in Massachusetts in need of shelter and services and the severe lack of shelter availability in the state. Read the [press release](#) for details.
 - Looking for resources for residents in need, including migrant families? Check out [FindHelp.org](#) to search by zip code for financial assistance, food pantries, medical care, and other free or reduced-cost services.
 - [Screening and vaccination](#) to support migrant family access to public healthcare.
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MAVEN

- [Infectious Disease Tools for Local Health Webinar Series](#)
 - 10/10: Respiratory Illness Season Updates
 - [MAVEN Help](#)
 - *NEW documents added*
 - State Epidemiologist Line: 617-983-6800
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COVID-19 Resources

Vaccine

On Monday, [FDA approved and authorized updated COVID-19 vaccines](#), and on Tuesday, CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices [recommended the updated vaccines](#) for everyone 6 months and older. The updated COVID vaccines, which are covered without cost sharing by all insurance providers, began shipping Tuesday night and will be available in clinics, at pharmacies, and through local health departments as early as the end of this week. Search [vaccines.gov](#) for vaccination appointments or find a [mobile vaccination clinic](#).

- COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Bulletin: [Click here to read the bulletin](#).
- [CDC Recommends Updated COVID-19 Vaccine for Fall/Winter Virus Season](#)
- [Letter to Community Partners: Vaccine Equity Initiative Mobile Vaccine Clinics](#)
- State Supplied [Adult Vaccine Availability Table](#) & [Childhood Vaccine Availability Table](#)
- Questions? Email: dph-vaccine-management@mass.gov

COVID-19 in K-12

- [Department of Elementary & Secondary Education](#) (Help Center 781-338-3500)
- [Massachusetts Department of Public Health](#)

COVID-19 Test Kits

- [COVID-19 Statewide Contract Resources for Antigen Test Kits](#)

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