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Job Opportunity:

Assistant Director of Local Public Health Workforce Development

OLRH is seeking an enthusiastic, proactive, and dedicated professional to join the Workforce Development Unit. The ideal candidate will be detail-oriented, adept at managing competing priorities, and be highly proficient in all Microsoft Office applications. Experience working with learning management platforms is preferred. This position assists and supports all aspects of planning, developing, implementation, and evaluation of workforce development initiatives and data reporting. [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 webinar is scheduled on **September 12th, 2023, at 3 pm.**
- * [Click here](#) to view the slides from Tuesday's August 22nd webinar.
- * [Click here](#) to view answers to questions asked during the webinar.
- * Submit your questions and recommended topics on **Wednesday, September 6th, by noon** to: localregionalpublichealth@mass.gov

IMPORTANT NOTE: Webinars will move from bi-weekly to **MONTHLY** starting in September. 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. Newsletters will continue to be sent out bi-weekly.

Register for LBOH Webinars

- * Click on the following new Zoom link to register for the remaining 2023 webinars: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8PytNXtFSMm8T2woJkGZMQ.

Please note the Zoom link is a recurring link. You only need to register one time. Save the invite to your calendar.

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

Governor Healy Declares State of Emergency

Governor Healey today [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. With this declaration, the Administration calls on the federal government to expedite funding and work authorizations for these families. Please refer to the [press release](#) for details.

MAVEN

[Infectious Disease Tools for Local Health Webinar Series](#)

[MAVEN Help](#)

State Epidemiology Line: 617-983-6800

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Bulletin

[Click here to read the bulletin](#)

DPH Immunization Division

State Supplied [Adult Vaccine Availability Table](#)

[Childhood Vaccine Availability Table](#)

Questions? Email: dph-vaccine-management@mass.gov

Hepatitis B

MMWR: [Screening and Testing for Hepatitis B Virus Infection: CDC Recommendations — US, 2023](#)

MMWR: [Universal Hepatitis B Vaccination in Adults Aged 19-59 Years: Updated Recommendations of the ACIP - US, 2022](#)

CDC: [Interpretation of Hepatitis B Serologic Test Results](#)

Immunize.org: [Ask the Experts](#) and [Hepatitis B and Healthcare Personnel](#)

MAHB

[Conflict of Interest Law](#)

[Open Meeting Law Guidance for Public Health Excellence \(PHE\) Collaboratives](#)

[Local Public Health-Related Information](#)

MDPH Initiatives:

Community Health Equity Initiative Survey

To improve the health of everyone in Massachusetts, we need to center the voices of people and communities who have been long denied an equal chance at health. The survey will be open through early Fall 2023. Anyone **aged 14 and older** can take the survey. It takes approximately **15 to 30 minutes** to complete and is available in **10 languages**. The survey will also be available in ASL later this summer.

Taking the survey is easy! Just click on this link to get started:

www.mass.gov/healthsurvey. For more information about the Community Health Equity Initiative and the survey including the promotional toolkit, please visit, www.mass.gov/CHEI, or email chei@mass.gov.

Membership Applications Open for Office of HIV/AIDS Advisory Group

The Office of HIV/AIDS (OHA) is recruiting members for all ten of its advisory groups for the next three-year term (2023-2026). [See the full list here](#). We strongly encourage you to share this opportunity with your colleagues and others in your networks who may be interested. We are looking for diverse representation and we welcome new members.

OHA will host four optional Advisory Group Open House sessions ([see schedule here](#)) for those interested in learning more, to address questions, or for help with the application. No registration is required. If you have questions, please contact Nikel Casimir at (617)-780-

4219 or (nikel.casimir@mass.gov). The deadline to apply is **5:00PM, Friday, September 29, 2023**.

Funding Opportunity: Request for Proposals

CHII Health & Disability Inclusion Grants

Do you want to make your municipality more accessible to people with disabilities?

The Department of Public Health is giving out seven (7) mini-grants of \$18,000 to communities to make your community more accessible. Projects will help people with mobility disabilities access healthy food, engage in physical activity, and participate in civic life. [Read the RFP](#) and [join us for a webinar](#) on Tuesday, **September 12th at 11 AM** to learn more about this opportunity and how you can apply, [here](#).

NEHA-FDA RFFM Grant Program

The National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) work in partnership to administer the NEHA-FDA Retail Flexible Funding Model (RFFM) Grant Program. The program provides funding to State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial (SLTT) retail food regulatory agencies as they advance conformance with the Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (Retail Program Standards). Applications are due by 7:59 PM ET on Wednesday **October 11, 2023**. [Learn more here](#).

Upcoming Events & Trainings:

Municipal Opioid Settlement Fund Regional Webinars

The Bureau of Substance Addiction Services is contracting with JSI who will be sharing resources available to support municipalities in effectively using the Opioid Settlement Funds. Register to attend by clicking the links below:

- * September 12 - [Southeast](#)
 - * September 14 - [Central](#)
 - * September 19 - [Metrowest](#)
 - * September 21 - [Western](#)
 - * September 28 - [Northeast](#)
-

FRCOG Public Health Power Hour Series:

[Tobacco Updates](#) with Sarah McColgan, MHOA, and Merridith O'Leary, Pioneer Valley Tobacco Coalition

- * Wednesday September 13
- * 3:00 - 4:30 PM; via Zoom

- * FREE to attend, CEUs available

Learn strategies to strengthen current regulations, holding a public hearing after a violation, and emerging tobacco trends. [Pre-Register to receive Zoom link.](#)

MHOA Annual Conference Registration is Open!

This year's MHOA Annual Conference will be held **October 25-27** at the Sea Crest Beach Hotel in North Falmouth, MA. Don't wait to register! Early bird registration is open through **September 15, 2023**. [Learn more and register to attend.](#)

Hoarding: A Public Health Concern

It is estimated that there are between 6 and 15 million people who hoard in the US, approximately 2.5 – 5% of the adult population. People who hoard may come to the attention of local health departments. Investigating and resolving situations that involve hoarding can be complicated. This training will provide an overview of hoarding disorder, outline processes and procedures for the LBOH to follow, and list resources that will aid in resolving this complex public health issue. [Enroll in this free self-paced course!](#)

[Career Opportunities](#)

[Mass Careers Job Opportunities](#)

[Find Your Future Commonwealth Jobs](#) across industries including health and human services, transportation, IT, finance, housing and economic development, energy and environmental, public safety and security, and education.

[Academic Public Health Corps - Opportunities](#)

- * [Jobs in Local Health](#)
- * [Join The Corps \(for student interns\)](#)

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