

Massachusetts Association of Health Boards
Certificate Program - Spring 2024
Version – 03/12/2024 – 11:00 AM – Subject to update

8:15 – 9:00 am: Registration and buffet breakfast

9:00 – 9:45 am: Legal Authority of Boards of Health, C. Sbarra, J.D.

- Welcome and Housekeeping
- Authority to Enact Regulations
- Authority to Regulate Specific Activities
 - Nuisances
 - Noisome trades
 - Inspections

9:45 – 10:15 am: Public Records, Open Meeting Law and Conflict of Interest Law, M. Hugo, J.D.

10:15 – 10:45 am: First Amendment Auditors and Civility, M. Hugo, J.D.

10:45 – 11:00 am: Break – coffee/tea/water

11:00 – 11:45 am: Green Burials – Update and Strategies, L. Stevens Goodnight, J.D.

11:45 – 12:10 pm: Update from the Office of Local and Regional Health (OLRH)

12:10 – 12:45 pm: Lunch and dessert with updates from MAHB

12:45 – 1:30 pm: How to Conduct Quasi-Administrative and Quasi-Judicial Hearings, C. Sbarra, J.D.

1:30 – 2:15 pm: Liability Protection for Boards of Health and Staff, C. Sbarra, J.D.

- Includes discussion of Independent Contractor v. Employee

2:15 – 2:30 pm: Break with snacks and beverages

2:30 – 3:00 pm: Plymouth Nuclear Waste Strategies and Updates, M. Hugo, J.D.

3:00 – 4:00 pm: All Things Considered – What Is Coming Down the Pike? C. Sbarra, J.D. and L. Stevens-Goodnight, J.D.

- Braintree litigation with Cumberland Farms (Norfolk Superior Court)
- Opioid Abatement Funds Update and Strategies
- Intoxicating Synthetic THC Products Update and Strategies
 - What are they?
 - Who regulates them?
 - Local strategies?
- Chelsea story
- Brookline SJC decision