

## Hearing Instructions

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[An Act Establishing Medicare for All in Massachusetts](#) ~ [H.1239](#) & [S.744](#) ~ will have a public hearing

- on Tuesday, November 14, 10:00AM to 1:00PM
- in **Hearing Room A-1 and virtually**
- before the [Joint Committee on Health Care Financing](#).
- It will be live streamed (and archived) on the [hearing webpage](#).
- The hearing webpage is posted:
  - o on the [JCHCF webpage](#)
  - o on [this legislative calendar](#)
  - o on the bills' webpages ([H.1239](#) & [S.744](#))
- The hearing's topic is "Alternative Health Care Financing Models".
- The hearing page lists 4 bills, our two plus Sen. Julian Cyr's [Benchmark Bill](#) and a ["public option" bill](#).

### Coordination of Testimony:

- Please let Mass-Care know you want to testify. Go to [RSVP link](#) or email [legislation@masscare.org](mailto:legislation@masscare.org).
- Add your testimony to the [Mass-Care Health Care Story Bank](#).
- Please copy [legislation@masscare.org](mailto:legislation@masscare.org) when you submit written testimony.
- Please use [How to Write Legislative Testimony](#).

**Hearing Instructions** (see official version on the [hearing webpage](#)):

- To give either **in-person or remote oral testimony**, use [the official registration form](#).
  - o **Deadline for registering:** 4:00PM, Thursday Nov. 9.
  - o If you miss the deadline, you can sign-up at the hearing room on the day of the hearing and testify in person after all pre-registered, *time permitting*.
- Individuals registered for **remote oral testimony** will receive an email the day after pre-registration closes with a link to join the hearing on Microsoft Teams.
- Individuals have **3 minutes** to testify.
- The form allows for **panels**. Each member of a panel fills out the pre-registration form separately and completely. The Chairs will permit either fully in-person panels or fully-remote panels only. Send questions related to panels to the Committee Director at [timothy.oneill@mahouse.gov](mailto:timothy.oneill@mahouse.gov).
- Panels have ? minutes.
- We ask oral testifiers to submit their testimony **in writing too**. The written version can be longer.

### Written testimony:

- Individuals wishing to provide **written testimony only** do not fill out the registration form and have no deadline.
- Send written testimony to the Joint Committee Co-Chairs at [John.Lawn@mahouse.gov](mailto:John.Lawn@mahouse.gov) and [Cindy.Friedman@masenate.gov](mailto:Cindy.Friedman@masenate.gov) and the Committee Director at [timothy.oneill@mahouse.gov](mailto:timothy.oneill@mahouse.gov). Please copy [legislation@masscare.org](mailto:legislation@masscare.org). **This can be one email.**
- The Committee has no due date for written testimony. Please send it as soon as possible.

### **Odds & Ends:**

- Oral testimony is usually first-registered/first-called. May be grouped by bill number, with our two bills in one group.
- The Committee and testifiers can see how many are registered (legislators, staff, and testifiers). They can't tell how many are just watching.
- Committee has until March 27 2024 to report bills out. If a favorable report, our bills would go next to Ways & Means, then Bills in 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading.