



Massachusetts Association of Public Health Nurses

28th Annual Conference

Thursday, May 14, 2026

Marriott Downtown Springfield

2 Boland Way, Springfield, MA 01115

“Building Resilience in Public Health Nursing”

- 06:30-07:30 AM Exhibitor Setup
- 07:00-08:00 AM **Check-in:** Scan QR Code & pick up badge
- 07:15-08:45 AM Breakfast
- 07:30-09:00 AM **MAPHN Membership Annual Meeting**
- 09:00-09:15 AM President’s Welcome: Tiffany Benoit, MPH, RN, CHO
- 09:15-10:00 AM **Keynote/Opening Remarks:** Dr. Linda Thompson, DrPH, MPH, RN, FAAN, Westfield State University President, *“Climate Justice and Public Health - Realities, Responses, and Reimaginings for a Better Future”*
- 10:00-10:30 AM Visit the Exhibitors
- 10:30-11:30 AM **Presentation:** Jerry Posner, MIAA, *“The Practical Power of Gratitude”*
- 11:30-12:00 PM **Presentation:** Dr. Melissa Goulding: *“Highlighting Current Practices and Opportunities in Community-Based Blood Pressure Screening: Insights from a National Survey of Public Health Nurses”*
- 12:00-01:00 PM Lunch & exhibitors
- 01:00-02:00 PM **Presentation:** Caitlin Pettengill DNP-PHNL RN, Meg Burch MS RN NCSN, Ann Becker DNP-PHNL RN, Tamara Bedard BSN RN, Tiffany Benoit MPH RN CHO, Alyssa Kaiser BSN RN, Chassea Robinson RN MSN MPH CPH CLC, Anne Mistivar DNP-HSIL MSN RN: *“Update on Public Health Nurse Projects from DPH OLRH and UMass Local PHN Consultant Program”*
- 02:00-02:30 PM Award Presentations: Welcome new PHNs & Recognize Retirees
- 02:30-03:30 PM **Presentation:** Cheryl Sbarra, JD, MAHB: *“Med Spas Regulations”*
- 03:30-03:45 PM Drawing of Chapter Baskets, 50/50 Raffle & Meeting Raffle
- 03:45-04:00 PM Conclusion of the Conference