



FACT SHEET: Massachusetts Payer-Provider Partnership (MP3)

Advancing Affordability. Igniting Innovation.

In response to growing affordability and access challenges, Massachusetts hospitals and health plans have joined forces to create the **Massachusetts Payer-Provider Partnership (MP3)**. MP3 is a first-of-its-kind organization dedicated to finding common ground, advancing shared solutions and innovations, and driving sustainable change.

A Unique Partnership

MP3 is a unique type of platform. It is designed to identify and pilot shared ideas between institutions that deliver care and organizations that pay for care.

Both provider and payer organizations have long expressed an interest in this type of collaborative model, which will allow them to break through traditional divisions and drill down on practical solutions that can be implemented within their respective organizations.

The organization was founded in recognition of the growing affordability and access challenges patients are facing - as well as the enormous financial pressures that health systems, hospitals, and health plans are navigating as they strive to maintain world-class services.

Local policymakers, business leaders, and state agencies have long underscored the urgency of these challenges. MP3 is a response that will serve a common and local interest - all while keeping patients at the center.

MP3 is designed to complement important policy-focused efforts underway, including the Healey-Driscoll Administration's Health Care Affordability Workgroup, the work of the Health Policy Commission, and other statewide collaborations.

Accelerating Affordability, Igniting Innovation

MP3 will focus on practical, collaborative solutions, and members will pilot those solutions within their own organizations and populations with the goal of scaling successful reforms statewide.

Example areas of focus may include:

- Streamlining and modernizing administrative processes
- Fostering innovative care and payment models
- Optimizing data sharing and optimization
- Addressing cost drivers that undermine stability

MP3 is built upon a belief that progress cannot be a zero-sum game and a recognition that no single part of the healthcare system has all the answers. Given the volume and complexity of today's healthcare challenges, MP3 believes that sustainable progress is only possible through innovation and collaboration.

Every MP3 success will represent innovation for Massachusetts healthcare - innovation that is patient-centered, partnership-driven, and action-oriented. The partnership will leverage the resources and expertise of its membership to advance and implement timely solutions.

Leadership & Governance

Massachusetts is uniquely positioned to foster cross-sector partnerships like MP3. Unlike many other states, our commonwealth's healthcare market is defined by local, trusted organizations with a deep understanding of communities, the needs of patients, and a strong desire to partner around complex issues.

MP3's inaugural members include:

- Baystate Health
- Boston Medical Center Health System
- Fallon Health
- Health New England
- Mass General Brigham
- Mass General Brigham Health Plan
- UMass Memorial Health
- UMass Memorial Health Mass Advantage
- WellSense Health Plan

The size and makeup of MP3's membership will enable the organization to be agile in identifying and implementing solutions, and then scaling them based on success.

MP3 is led by President Lauren Peters, a deeply respected and innovative healthcare leader who most recently served as Executive Director of the state's Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA). Before joining CHIA, Peters served as Undersecretary for the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services.

MP3 is an affiliated but autonomous entity of the Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association. It will begin meeting in early spring of 2026 to discuss its initial goals and areas of focus.

Learn more at masspayerprovider.org.