

## **Health Equity Task Force established by Chapter 93 of the Acts of 2020**

### **Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, October 7, 2020, 10:30AM – 12:00PM.**

**Members in Attendance:** Senator Julian Cyr, Dr. Assaad Sayah, Beverly Stables, Dr. Kiame Mahaniah, Michael Curry, Representative Donald H. Wong, Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz, Dr. Milagros Abreu, Representative Chynah Tyler, Dr. Cassandra Pierre, Jeffrey Sanchez, Representative Carlos González, Dr. Frank Robinson

**Members Not in Attendance:** Representative Jose Tosado, Dr. Myechia Minter-Jordan (represented by staff), Hiram Shah

The Co-Chair Dr. Assaad Sayah opened the meeting and welcomed Health Equity Task Force members and the public and reviewed the open meeting law requirements for remote virtual meetings. Co-Chair Michael Curry conducted a roll call to confirm attendance and that participants could hear the proceedings. Co-Chair Michael Curry performed and gained approval of the minutes for the September 29<sup>th</sup> Health Equity Task Force meeting was conducted by roll call vote. Then a review of the agenda for the meeting was conducted.

Conversation opened for perspectives from Massachusetts Black & Latino and Asian-American Legislative Caucuses.

A logistics overview for next steps in the Draft Interim Report process followed.

There was a high-level overview and strategic discussion of key areas in the Interim Summary Report, which will focus on emerging FY21 state budget and policy priorities.

All feedback and edits to draft interim report are due by Friday, October 9th, 2020. Task Force Members were encouraged to reflect on key priority recommendation areas. This feedback may be voiced during today's meeting or submitted to staff by Friday, October 9th, 2020. An updated version of the interim report (based on feedback received) will be sent to Task Force Members by Monday, October 12 for discussion and consideration at the October 14th meeting.

Meeting adjourned.