



**EVENT PROGRAM**  
(Draft 2/18/2026)

**Masters of Ceremony:**

Faina Shtern, MD, President and CEO, AdMeTech Foundation; and  
Thomas Satham, Director, Health Policy and Operations, AdMeTech Foundation

**Hosts:**

Senator Pavel Payano and  
Representatives Sean Garballey, Rob Consalvo, and Bud Williams

**10:00 AM TO 10:30 AM: INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME**

**Opening Prayer:** Reverend Brenda Brown, Massachusetts Avenue Baptist Church

Jordan Rich, Massachusetts Prostate Cancer Coalition

Lovo Koliego, Community Health Awareness Network Grows Equity (CHANGE)

Lamont Scott, Program Coordinator, Men of Color Health Awareness (MOCHA)

Marc Hymovitz, Massachusetts Director, Government Relations, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

**10:30 AM TO 1:00 PM - FORMAL PROGRAM**

**10:30 am- Opening Ceremony/Keynote Speakers**

Senate President Karen Spilka

Speaker of the House Ronald Mariano

Representative Bud Williams, Chairperson, Joint Committee on Racial Equity, Civil Rights and Inclusion, and Immediate Past Chair, Black and Latino Caucus

**10:45 am – Introduction and Massachusetts General Court Resolution/Event Hosts**

Senator Pavel Payano, Chair, Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure

Representative Sean Garballey, Chair, Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts, and Cultural Development

Representative Rob Consalvo, Vice Chair, House Committee on Rules

**11:00 am - Featured Speakers**

Senate Majority Leader Cynthia Creem

Senate Majority Whip Michael Rush

Senator John Keenan, Chair, Joint Committee on Election Laws

Representative Carlos Gonzalez, Third Division Chair

Representative Marjorie Decker, Chair, Joint Committee on Public Health

Representative Jessica Giannino, Vice Chair, Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies

Representative Russell Holmes, Vice Chair, House Committee on Operations, Facilities, and Security

Representative John Lawn Jr., Chair, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing

**11:20 am- Prostate Cancer Equity Resource Project: High Quality Care for All**

Faina Shtern, MD, President and CEO, AdMeTech Foundation

Mitchell Sokoloff, MD, Professor and Chairman of Urology, University of Massachusetts Medical School:  
Emerging Advances in Screening and Diagnosis

David Einstein, MD, Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School; and Attending Physician, Beth Israel  
Deaconess Medical Center Genitourinary Medical Oncology Program:  
Recent Advances in Treatment of Advanced Prostate Cancer

**12:15 pm – Prostate Cancer Crisis in Black, Hispanic and Latino Men**

Terry E. Carter, Medford's Inaugural Poet Laureate (2021-23)

Albert Hubert, Coordinator, Men of Color Health Awareness (MOCHA), and Participant, Prostate Cancer  
Equity Resource Project

Rahsaan Hall, President and CEO, Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts

Andrew Cade, Senior Vice President, Urban League of Springfield (TBC)

Dr. Lorna Andrade, Martha's Vineyard NAACP

Michael Blakely, Founder, Boston's African American Ball

Phyllis Ellis, President, Brockton NAACP

Dr. Kennan McKenzie-DeFranza, President, North Shore NAACP

Ken Reeves, President, Cambridge NAACP (TBC)

Jillian Harvey, President, Mystic Valley NAACP

Zane Crute, Immediate Past Secretary, NAACP New England Area Conference; and Immediate Past  
President, Mystic Valley NAACP

Fred Taylor, President, Worcester NAACP

Milagros Abreu, MD, MPH, Founder, President, and CEO, Latino Health Insurance Program

Steve Bernard, Past President, Brockton Area Branch NAACP

Leona Martin, Past 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, and Member of the Health Committee, Brockton Area Branch  
NAACP

**1:00 pm- Adjourn Formal Program**