



CITY OF MALDEN

Health and Human Services/Board of Health

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Laura Vlasuk, Director

Malden Board of Health Meeting

Minutes

February 25, 2026

6:30pm

Rm 108, Malden City Hall

Board & Staff Present

Dr. Scune Carrington, Board Chair

Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D.

Mr. John Colangeli

Board Member

Laura Vlasuk, Director of Health and Human Services

Caroline Gwokyalaya, Clerk

- Meeting called to order by Dr. Scune Carrington, Board Chair at 6:30 pm.
- Approval of Minutes of the January 21, 2026, meeting. Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. John Colangeli., seconded by Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D. Motion passes 3-0.
- Board of Health review of chart (see attached) Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP). Mr. John Colangeli motioned to table chart review Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D. seconded by Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D. Motion tabled 3-0.
- **New Business**
- Board reviewed 2025 meeting dates for Medford, Melrose, Everett, Stoneham, Saugus, Wakefield, Revere, Woburn, Waltham and Framingham. Mr. John Colangeli made a motion that the Board refrain from meeting in June, July, August and December bearing three exceptions. 1) A member of the Board requests a meeting 2) The Director requests a meeting 3) Three members of the public request a meeting Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D seconded. Motion passed 3-0
- **Director's Report**
 - Health and Human Services is working on trash notifications among other multilingual announcements
 - Health and Human Services completed a Region 3 Quarter 2 Drill
 - Inspection of Acadia Tufts Medical Behavioral Health Malden, located at 100 Hospital Road, was conducted in February 2026.

- Director Vlasuk reported that in 2025 there were 31 overdoses, 3 Fatalities 7 Medical Aid calls, this number is down from 2024 where the City of Malden experienced 39 Overdoses, 9 Fatalities and 18 Medical Aids. Showing that the work, dedication, and outreach is working.
- Bridget Furlong our Human Services Coordinator, has moved on from her position As Human Servies Coordinator
- Completed a full audit of vaccines, vaccines storage, administration and filing with Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences Massachusetts Department of Public Health
- Health and Human Services hosted a Blood Drive on January 5 at the Malden Senior Center
 - Additional blood drives have been scheduled for
 - Monday April 13th 9 am - 2 pm
 - Monday August 17th 9 am - 2 pm
- During routine compliance checks conducted on December 22, 2025, All Malden tobacco locations were inspected in January and the following locations paid there fine.
 - Snap Mart, 245 Main St.: sold Zyn Chill 6mg for \$7.63 to a minor resulting in a \$1,000 violation. Fine was paid.
 - Supreme Food Mart, 1018 Eastern Ave.: sold Zyn Chill 6mg for \$10.69 to a minor resulting in \$5,000 violations. This is the location's third violation in a three-year period. Fine was paid.
 - Broadway Market, 481 Broadway: sold Zyn Chill 6mg 2 for \$12.00 to a minor resulting in a \$1,000 violation. Fine was paid.
 - M&M Liquors, 619 Broadway sold Zyn Chill 6mg for \$7.25 resulting in a \$2,000 fine - This is the second violation in a three-year period. Last sale-to-a-minor 1/13/2025. \$2,000 fine. Fine was paid.
 - LTBI-Latent infection 85/Class A/B Arrivals 5-Currently in MAVEN
 - # of Active TB (Tuberculosis) cases (2 nonpulmonary - 7 pulmonary)
 - Total number of: Male 5
 - Total number of Female: 4
 - Ages 1-10 = 0
 - Ages 11-20 = 0
 - Ages 21-30 = 26M
 - Ages 31-40 = 32F, 40F
 - Ages 41-50 = 46F
 - Ages 51-60 = 51M
 - Ages 60+ = 71F, 72M, 73, 77M, 80M
 - Travel information and or Country of Birth
 - Vietnam = 2

- Haiti = 4
 - El Salvador = 1
 - Morocco = 1
 - Ethiopia = 1
 - Asian = 1
- 12 Food Establishment inspections
 - 10 Food Services Inspections
 - 2 Retail Food Inspections
- 55 Rental Units
- 14 Complaints
- 1 individual was transported to a rehabilitation center in January.
- Language access support was utilized 34 times including walk-ins and language lines
 - In-Person
 - Spanish 5
 - Chinese 1
 - Arabic 1
 - Phone Line
 - 8
 - 5
 - 3
 - 1
 - 2
 - 1
 - 1
 - 3
 - Mandarin
 - Portuguese
 - Spanish
 - Haitian Creole
 - Cantonese
 - Vietnamese
 - French
 - Operator
- The date for next Meeting set for 3/25/26, at 6:30pm.
- The Motion to adjourn is made at 7:12 pm by Mr. John Colangeli seconded by Dr. Kumar Singh, M.D. Motion passes 3-0.

2025	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	2025	
MEDFORD	21	18	X	15	20	X	15	X	16	21	X	16	8	
MELROSE	16	X	13	X	22	3	24	X	X	23	X	X	6	
EVERETT	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	no meeting minutes on site (nurses)
STONEHAM	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	last meeting min June 2024
SAUGUS	6	3	X	7	10	2	X	X	8	6	3	1	9	
WAKEFIELD	15	19	26	30	21	X	X	20	X	14	12	10	9	
REVERE	23	27	27	24	22	X	X	28	25	X	X	X	7	
WOBURN	30	27	27	24	29	26	31	X	25	30	X	X	9	
WALTHAM	X	X	19	16	21	18	X	X	X	15	19	17	7	
FRAMMINGHAM	14	11	11	8	13	10	15	12	9	14	18	16	12	