



Society for Risk Analysis New England Chapter

2012-2013 Event Series

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Wednesday, April 3rd, 2013

Refreshments: 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Presentations: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Discussion: 4:30 – 5:00 pm

HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT: COMMON METHODS AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

Jonathan Levy, Sc.D. – Boston University School of Public Health

USING HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENTS TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY HEALTH: THE MASSACHUSETTS EXPERIENCE

Suzanne K. Condon, M.S. – Associate Commissioner/Director - Massachusetts Department of
Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health

Location

Boston University School of Public Health

BU Medical Campus

Housman Medical Research Center - Room R-108

Enter through: Instructional Building, located at 72 E. Concord Street
Boston, MA

Please RSVP by Friday, March 29th to Eric Ruder (eruder@indecon.com).

Space is limited, so reserve your seat today. For more information on SRA-NE, please go to: www.sra-ne.org

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ABSTRACTS OF PRESENTATIONS

Jonathan Levy, Sc.D. – *Health Impact Assessment and Health Risk Assessment: Common Methods and Future Challenges*

In 2011, the National Research Council (NRC) issued a report titled “Improving Health in the United States”, which described the emerging field of health impact assessment (HIA) and considered ways in which it could be implemented. Some aspects of HIA are seemingly at odds with standard practice in health risk assessment, while others reinforce emerging trends and suggest areas of mutual interest. In this talk, Dr. Levy will give an overview of the key conclusions from the NRC report, highlighting contrasts and commonalities with health risk assessment. To illustrate the utility of HIA, he will present a case example evaluating the health implications of proposed changes to MBTA fares and service, and will suggest future methodological refinements that would harness the best aspects of each approach.

Presenter – Suzanne K. Condon, M.S. – *Using Health Impact Assessments to Improve Community Health: The Massachusetts Experience*

Health Impact Assessments (HIAs) have been used to play significant roles in the public health arena, notably work done as a result of the landmark transportation reform law in MA. Ms. Condon will present results of the Commonwealth’s first transportation HIA, which was used to determine feasibility and approach to conducting transportation HIA’s in MA. She will also discuss how HIAs could easily be imbedded in the NEPA process and the potential to use this tool to develop effective policies to improve community health and support a health in all policies approach in multi-sector policy development.



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GETTING TO THE EVENT

Directions to BUMC Instructional Building, located at 72 E. Concord Street

The BU Medical Campus is located in the South End neighborhood of Boston. The BUMC Instructional Building is located at 72 E. Concord Street, near Albany Street. The seminar is being held in room R-108 of the Housman Medical Research Center. To get to the room, follow the pedestrian walkway from 72 E. Concord St. to the main entrance of the BUMC Instructional Building, which faces the courtyard across from BUSPH. Room R-108 is down the hallway (with the elevators) beyond the security desk. See online map at:

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/about/map-directions/>

FROM THE MBTA: The Orange Line (Mass Ave and Back Bay stations) and the Red Line (Broadway and Andrew stations) are each within a 15-20 minute walk from campus. The BU Medical Campus is also easily accessible by the following MBTA buses: 1, 10, 171, 276, 47, 8, CT1, CT3, SL4, SL5.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS -

FROM THE EAST (LOGAN AIRPORT):

Go through the Sumner Tunnel (Route 1A South) to Expressway South. **Take Exit 18 (Massachusetts Avenue)**. At traffic light, take right onto access road; stay in right lane. At end of access road, turn right onto Massachusetts Avenue. From Massachusetts Avenue, take the first right onto Albany Street. The BUMC is located to your left, between E. Concord and E. Newton Streets.

FROM THE NORTH:

Follow Route 1 (via Mystic/Tobin Bridge) to Route 93 South. Take exit 18 (Massachusetts Avenue). Follow directions above.

FROM THE SOUTH:

Take Expressway North (Route 93). Take exit 18 (Massachusetts Avenue). Watch for signs. At the second traffic light, turn left onto access road; stay in right lane. At end of access road, turn right onto Massachusetts Avenue. Follow directions above.

FROM THE WEST:

Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (Interstate 90) East to end. Take Expressway South (Route 93). Take exit 18 (Massachusetts Avenue). Follow directions above.

PARKING – Paid parking is available at a garage at 710 Albany St., just across from the campus. There are also metered spots throughout the neighborhood.



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