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Community Conversations

Date: October 15, 2024 Time: 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM Location: Southeast Asian Coalition (SEACMA), 50 Portland St, Suite 521, Worcester Pay by Plate Parking: Worcester Public Library, 3 Salem Street, Worcester

- 1. Welcome Time: 11:00 11:05 AM
- Speakers: Representatives from the AAPI Commission and SEACMA
- 2. Introductions Time: 11:05 11:15 AM
- **Special Introduction**: Everett Handford, Regional Director of New England U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)
 - Brief remarks by the Regional Director outlining HHS's role in supporting communities and addressing health and human service needs.
- 3. **Open Dialogue with Community Participants and HHS** *Time: 11:15 12:20 PM*
 - Community Discussion: Public participants are invited to share their experiences and recommendations regarding Health and Human Services in Massachusetts.
 - HHS Discussion: Feedback from HHS
- 4. Wrap-Up and Next Steps *Time: 12:20 12:30 PM*
 - o Speakers: AAPI Commission and SEACMA representatives
 - **Purpose**: Closing remarks, recap of key points, and outline of follow-up actions or next steps based on the discussion.
- 5. Lunch & Informal Networking Time: 12:30 PM 1:30 PM