Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the 23rd Annual Massachusetts Adult Immunization Conference!

We are grateful to all of our expert speakers for their participation today. This conference utilizes many volunteers who support many facets of the conference. As you participate today, please join us in thanking all of these colleagues from around the Commonwealth.

This conference would not be possible without its exhibitors and supporters. Please see the exhibitor listing in this packet. During today’s conference breaks, please visit the exhibit area to meet them.

Some logistical notes are on the reverse side of this document to help answer some questions and ensure your comfort. Please visit the registration desk or find us throughout the day with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your participation and for your commitment to protecting the people of Massachusetts through vaccination. Together, we will continue to improve the health and wellbeing of all our residents.

Sincerely,

2018 Conference Planning Committee
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Cell Phones: Please silence your cell phone during the sessions.

Massachusetts Adult Immunization Coalition (MAIC): Today is a great day to join the Coalition! MAIC is a collaborative partnership dedicated to increasing adult immunization through education, networking, and sharing innovative and best practices. There are currently over 200 members representing local and state public health organizations, community health centers, health insurance plans, pharmacies, physicians, vaccine manufacturers, long-term-care, consumer advocacy groups, hospitals, home health, college health services, and more. The Coalition meets 3-4 times a year. Visit the website for more information: http://maic.jsi.com/. Visit the registration table to complete a membership form today.

Continuing Education (CE) and Risk Management Credits: Please be sure that you signed in at registration to request continuing education credits. To receive risk management credits, you must sign in at the individual workshops. Please note that this year evaluations will be completed online and not in person at the conference. You will receive an email 1-2 days after the conference to complete an online evaluation. After completing the evaluation, you will receive an electronic continuing education credit certificate in approximately 2 weeks. Please email Alexandra Burke (alexandra_burke@jsi.com) with any questions about the evaluation and/or continuing education certificate.

Emergency: Medical emergencies can be reported to a hotel Front Desk Agent, Manager or Supervisor. Press 0 on house phones to reach the front desk. In the event of other emergencies where evacuation is required, BEST WESTERN staff will notify all participants. Please use the nearest exit to proceed directly outside to the parking lot. Please follow the directions of the BEST WESTERN staff. Do not use the elevators. No one will be permitted to re-enter until the BEST WESTERN staff announces the building is clear and safe for re-entry.

Internet Access: Wireless access is available at the conference. The login is april. The password is april.

Meals: Registrants who have requested a special meal should see a hotel server or conference staff once lunch begins.

Photography: All conference participants are reminded that attendees may be included in photos taken at the conference for use in future publications (newsletters, website, etc). Please notify the photographer if you do not wish to be photographed.

Restrooms: Restrooms are located in 3 areas: directly outside of the Royal Ballroom Foyer, at Zachary's Restaurant/Elevators, and outside the Marlborough room.