



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Jonathan F. Mitchell, Mayor

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PRESS RELEASE

New Bedford Health Department to Host Forum on Health Disparities in the Region

New Bedford, Massachusetts – The New Bedford Health Department and the Health Equity Compact (HEC) will be hosting the *Color of Care – Southeastern MA Health Equity Forum* to discuss solutions to health disparities in our region. The event will take place on Tuesday, November 1st, 2022, at the New Bedford Whaling Museum at 18 Johnny Cake Hill, New Bedford, MA.

Event Details

- 4:00pm: Screening of Oprah Winfrey's documentary Color of Care
- **5:30pm**: Dinner and a special recognition of Dr. Patricia Andrade for her years of service with the New Bedford Board of Health and advocacy of health equity within the greater New Bedford community.
- **6:30pm**: HEC presentation and regional listening session for the Health Care and Health Equity Bill, sponsored by the Health Equity Compact and the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers

The documentary will be offered in English with Spanish subtitles and presentations and discussions will be provided in English and Spanish.

The event is free, open to all, and childcare will be available.

Please register by Tuesday, October 25th through the following QR code or by calling the health department at 508-991-6199.

