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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation Appoints Three to Board of Directors

BOSTON (April 25, 2018) – [The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation](#) today announced the appointment of three new members to its Board of Directors:

- **JD Chesloff**, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Business Roundtable;
- **Dr. Sandro Galea**, Professor and Dean of the Boston University School of Public Health; and
- **Michael Hunter**, head of business development at Trinity Financial, a community-driven real estate development company.

“We are pleased to have three individuals join our Board of Directors, bringing substantial experience and leadership in public policy, public health and business development,” said Phil Johnston, Chairman of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation. “The perspective that they add to the Foundation’s work of overcoming barriers to health care access, closing gaps in the behavioral health system, and addressing social determinants of health is highly valued by the board and the leadership of the Foundation.”

JD Chesloff has worked in and around Beacon Hill for more than 25 years, driving legislative support, directing budgets and issues, and developing public policy agendas. He joined the Massachusetts Business Roundtable, a public policy organization comprised of CEOs and senior executives from major employers, in 2004.

Chesloff is a trustee of the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, and serves on the board of Science from Scientists and the Taly Foundation. He received a master’s degree in public affairs from the McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies at the University of Massachusetts Boston, and holds a bachelor’s degree in law and public policy and telecommunications writing from Syracuse University.



A physician and epidemiologist, **Dr. Sandro Galea** is a Robert A. Knox Professor and Dean at the Boston University School of Public Health, with a scholarship centrally focused on the social production of health of urban populations. Prior to his appointment at BU, Dr. Galea served as the Gelman Professor and Chair of the Department of Epidemiology at the Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health.

Dr. Galea earned a medical degree from the University of Toronto and graduate degrees from Harvard University and Columbia University. Galea was named one of Time magazine's epidemiology innovators, and has been listed by Thomson Reuters as one of the "World's Most Influential Scientific Minds." He is the author of dozens of academic articles and books, most recently "Healthier: Fifty Thoughts on the Foundations of Population Health."

Michael Hunter leads business development activities for Trinity Financial, a real estate company that develops sites from New York to Boston with a mission of delivering high-quality housing, jobs and a stronger urban fabric. The company is known for strengthening economically challenged communities through its investments.

Hunter previously served as undersecretary for business development in Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick's administration, and has worked in the roles of assistant vice president at the engineering firm AECOM, real estate manager for grocery retailer SuperValu, and deputy director at the Boston Redevelopment Authority. He holds a master's degree in management from the Heller School at Brandeis University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the College of the Holy Cross.

About the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation

The mission of the [Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation](#) is to expand access to health care for low-income and vulnerable individuals and families in the Commonwealth. The Foundation was founded in 2001 with an initial endowment from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. It operates separately from the company and is governed by its own Board of Directors.

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