

From: Chair David Brunelle

To: UMass Chan Community

Subject: Chancellor Search Committee: Upcoming Listening Sessions

Dear members of the UMass Chan community,

As a UMass Trustee, and a long-time Worcester area resident, I have a sincere appreciation for the incredible work that is done at UMass Chan Medical School. The ascent of UMass Chan into a national powerhouse for research and its immense impact on the Worcester area and Massachusetts is inspiring. I also appreciate that it is the talented and committed people who work, learn, and conduct research here who make it all possible.

Because of that, I am excited about the opportunity to lead this important search in a way that is open, transparent, and inclusive. After meeting with the search committee on Wednesday for the first time, I am confident that they share that aspiration.

Throughout this process, we will provide ample opportunities to share your thoughts with this committee. On Wednesday, we launched a website for the search committee at <a href="https://www.umassp.edu/chancellorsearch">www.umassp.edu/chancellorsearch</a>. Over the course of the search, we will post relevant information, updates, and documents here for the public to access. There is also a form, which can be filled out anonymously to provide feedback, input, or to otherwise communicate with the search committee.

As we begin our work, our first and most important step will be to meet with members of this community to gather your input, hear your aspirations for the Medical School, and learn what skills you would like to see in your next chancellor. Therefore, we will be hosting on-campus listening sessions, which we are currently in the process of scheduling for October 1 and October 3. Early next week, you will receive an invitation to attend an open session with members of the search committee and the search firm to share your thoughts. There will be opportunities for both in-person and remote participation.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our listening sessions and thank you on behalf of the committee for your contributions to this important search.

Sincerely,

## David Brunelle Chair, UMass Chan Chancellor Search Committee

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