

Hingham Mental Health Coalition Speaker Series



Join Us on April 12 at 7 p.m.
at the Sanborn Auditorium, Hingham Town Hall

**Rebecca Ames, LICSW: Senior Clinical Manager,
Riverside Trauma Center and MindWise Innovations**

Building Community Resilience Amid Mental Health Struggles

Rebecca Ames, Senior Clinical Manager at the Riverside Trauma Center and MindWise Innovations, will lead a conversation about risk factors for suicide, supporting those struggling with mental health, and building strength and resiliency as a community.



Senator Patrick O'Connor

The Mental Health ABC Act 2.0 and Mental Health in the Legislature

Senator Patrick O'Connor currently serves in the Massachusetts State Senate. Senator O'Connor previously served as a Councilor at Large for over 10 years and the Town Council president in Weymouth for four years. In 2022, he sponsored the Mental Health ABC Act 2.0 which mandates coverage for an annual mental health wellness exam and required an equitable rate floor for evaluation and management services consistent with primary care, making mental health care more accessible.



**Susan Sarni: Coordinator of the Hingham Mental Health Coalition
Executive Health Officer, Hingham Health Department**

Addressing Community Mental Health Concerns

Susan Sarni coordinates the Hingham Mental Health Coalition, an initiative launched in November 2022, to address mental, behavioral, and substance abuse disorder affecting our residents. The coalition consists of numerous town representatives and health experts.



We will be conducting a quarterly speaker series in April, July, October and January. Our next event will be a discussion on addiction and codependent behavior on July 19. More information will be posted on our website soon. Please see the [HPS Social & Emotional Wellness website](#) and the [Town of Hingham Health website](#) for a list of past and future projects