

Joanne Miller for Board of Health

I am running for Marblehead Board of Health because I care deeply about our community and the health and wellness of our community members. I've raised my family here and am very grateful to have benefited from the abundant gifts we enjoy living in Marblehead.

I have a background in Public Health, including Masters level study at the Boston University School of Public Health, which bolstered my support of the Public Health adage, that AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE. We have all watched our Marblehead Health Department guide and navigate us through the global pandemic and tirelessly managed our resources and tools to support our town through the enormous challenge we faced under Covid. I would aim to continue the strong, supportive and inclusive efforts promoted through this difficult time. I care about our environment and sustainability and I am concerned about global climate change, including its Public Health impacts. I would prioritize the BOH Mental Health Task Force, and seek to support those in need of access to care and resources.

I have worked in healthcare for over twenty-five years, for companies that bring medicine to treat disease. My late husband was a doctor, and when he was diagnosed with terminal cancer, I cared for him for three years and earned a strong understanding of the patient side of healthcare.

As a member of our Board of Health, I would bring that background and support strong Public Health efforts so that we may prevent poor outcomes and elevate Marblehead to be the healthy, resilient and safe community we call our home.