

BU to the Beltway

Howard Koh tapped for Obama administration Health and Human Services assistant secretary

HOWARD KOH, A former professor at the Boston University Schools of Public Health and of Medicine, has been nominated by President Barack Obama as assistant secretary for health in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Koh (SPH'95) was the Massachusetts commissioner of public health from 1997 to 2003, and during his tenure made prevention a top priority. Before becoming commissioner, he taught at MED and at SPH, where he was appointed an assistant professor of epidemiology in 1986 and became a full professor in 1994. At present Koh is the Harvey V. Fineberg Professor of the Practice of Public Health at the Harvard School of Public Health, where he is also associate dean for public health practice and director of the Division of Public Health Practice.

Koh is the second member of his family to be nominated to a top post in the Obama administration: his brother Harold, dean of Yale Law School, has been nominated to be legal advisor to the State Department.



HOWARD KOH
could help shape the country's public health agenda.

METRICS

StuVi2: Up, Up, and Open for Business

Pristine, futuristic — not to mention colossal — BU's Student Village II is the newest addition to the Boston skyline. StuVi2 (as everyone calls the new high-rise towers) will be open for 975 lucky residents this fall. At twenty-six stories, it's half the height of the Prudential Center Tower.

BRENDAN GAUTHIER (COM'11)

BY THE NUMBERS

3,712

Tons of structural steel

7,000

Cubic yards of concrete

5

Elevators

342,173

Square feet of carpet

288

Toilets

2,500

Smoke detectors

600,000

Hours worked on site

3.5

Years, start to finish



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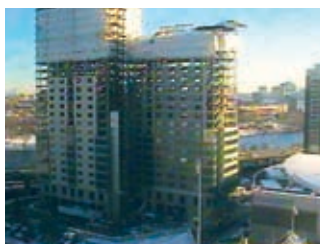
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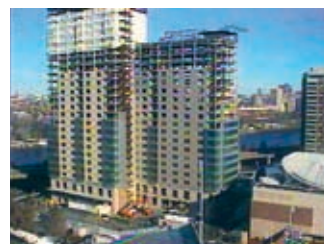
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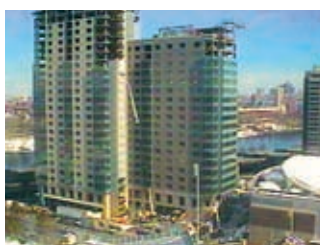
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