

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
WITNESS LIST - PUBLIC HEARING
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE., N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT C. GRAY, CHAIRPERSON
THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

BILL 23-0322, THE “WINDOW BLIND SAFETY NOTIFICATION ACT OF 2019”

**BILL 23-0325, THE “DEMENTIA TRAINING FOR DIRECT CARE WORKERS ACT
OF 2019”**

**BILL 23-0341, THE “PERINATAL HEALTH WORKER TRAINING ACCESS ACT OF
2019”**

**BILL 23-0362, THE “MATERNAL HEALTH CARE IMPROVEMENT AND
EXPANSION ACT OF 2019”**

**BILL 23-0416, THE “BETTER ACCESS FOR BABIES FOR INTEGRATED
EQUITABLE SERVICES ACT OF 2019”**

BILL 23-0507, THE “POISON CONTROL CENTER DESIGNATION ACT OF 2019”

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2019
11:00 A.M., ROOM 500, JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004**

WITNESS LIST

Bill 23-0322, the “Window Blind Safety Notification Act of 2019”

Public Witnesses

1. Sarah Combs, MD Emergency Medicine Physician, Children’s National Hospital

Executive Witness

- Dr. Sharon Lewis, DHA Senior Deputy Director, Health Regulation and Licensing Administration, Department of Health

Bill 23-0325, the “Dementia Training for Direct Care Workers Act of 2019”

Public Witnesses

1. Ana Nelson Vice President of Programs and Services, National Capital Area Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association
2. Dr. Melissa Batchelor Director of the Center for Aging Health and Humanities at George Washington University
3. Maria Burrington Public Witness
4. Dean Brenner Public Witness
5. Veronica Damesyn Sharpe President, District of Columbia Health Care Association
6. Christy Kramer Director, LeadingAge DC
7. Jessica Lipper, MSJ Government Affairs Manager, Mid-Atlantic Region, Nurse-Family Partnership

Executive Witness

- Dr. Sharon Lewis, DHA Senior Deputy Director, Health Regulation and Licensing Administration, Department of Health

Bill 23-0341, the “Perinatal Health Worker Training Access Act of 2019”

Public Witnesses

1. Dr. Barbara J. Hatcher Washington DC Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc
2. Dr. Dawn Godbolt Health Policy Analyst, National Partnership for Women & Families

Executive Witness

- Dr. Anjali Talwalkar, MPH Principal Senior Deputy Director, Department of Health

Bill 23-0362, the “Maternal Health Care Improvement and Expansion Act of 2019”

Public Witnesses

1. Sara Imershein, MD MPH FACOG Vice Chair, DC Section of the American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists
2. Taylor Lee Student, George Washington University
3. Skye Wheeler Emergencies Researcher, Human Rights Watch
4. Juan-Pablo Segurra CEO and Co-Founder, BabyScripts
5. Adimika Arthur Executive Director, HealthRTech
6. Dr. Nathaniel DeNicola OBGYN and Chair, ACOG Telemedicine Committee
7. Kanika A. Harris, PhD, MPH DC Lactation Commission
8. Jennifer Mezey Supervising Attorney, Public Benefits, Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia
9. Lamia Soghier, MD, FAAP Neonatologist, Children’s National Hospital
10. Dr. Jamila Perritt Reproductive Health and Family Planning Specialist, Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington, DC
11. Anita Mikkilineni, MD Resident Physician - Class of 2020, Obstetrics and Gynecology, George Washington University
12. Dr. Jessica H. Boyd Chief Medical Officer, Unity Health Care
13. Nate DeNicola, MD Assistant Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology, George Washington University
14. Dr. Barbara J. Hatcher Washington DC Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc
15. Colette Chichester Vice President, Government Affairs - National Capital Area, CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield
16. Nandi Barton Maternal Health Equity Action Lab
17. Shanae Bond Maternal Health Equity Action Lab

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| 18. Dominique Lowrey | Maternal Health Equity Action Lab |
| 19. Chanelle Moore | Maternal Health Equity Action Lab |
| 20. Mercedes Small-Lewis | Maternal Health Equity Action Lab |
| 21. Stephanie Wells | Maternal Health Equity Action Lab |
| 22. Megan Simmons, MPA/JD | Senior Policy Attorney, Ujima, Inc.: The National Center on Violence Against Women in the Black Community |

Executive Witness

Melisa Byrd	Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director, Department of Health Care Finance
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Bill 23-0416, the “Better Access for Babies for Integrated Equitable Services Act of 2019”

Public Witnesses

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| 1. Mary Revenis, MD FAAP | Chair, Fetus and Newborn Committee, DC
American Academy of Pediatrics Chapter |
| 2. Sarah Viall, PPCNP-BC | Newborn Screening Program Director-Rare Disease
Institute, Children’s National Hospital |
| 3. Beth Tarini, MD | Associate Director, Center for Transitional
Research- Children’s National Research Institute,
Children’s National Hospital |
| 4. Dr. Barbara J. Hatcher | Washington DC Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma
Theta Sorority, Inc |

Executive Witness

Dr. Anjali Talwalkar, MPH	Principal Senior Deputy Director, Department of Health
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Bill 23-0507, the “Poison Control Center Designation Act of 2019”

Executive Witness

Dr. Anjali Talwalkar, MPH

Principal Senior Deputy Director, Department of
Health