COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT C. GRAY, CHAIRPERSON THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

BILL 23-0890, THE "PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM QUERY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2020"

AND

BILL 23-0920, THE "INSULIN AFFORDABILITY AMENDMENT ACT OF 2020"

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2020, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM REMOTE HEARING VIA WEBEX BROADCAST LIVE ON DC COUNCIL CHANNEL 13 STREAMED LIVE AT <u>WWW.DCCOUNCIL.US</u> AND ENTERTAINMENT.DC.GOV.

Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson of the Committee on Health, announces a Public Hearing on Bill 23-0890, the "Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Query Amendment Act of 2020" and Bill 23-0920, the "Insulin Affordability Amendment Act of 2020." The hearing will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 4:00 p.m, or immediately following the Committee on Health's 9:00 a.m. public oversight hearing, via Webex.

Bill 23-0890, the "Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Query Amendment Act of 2020", would require mandatory query of the prescription drug monitoring database by prescribers and dispensers prior to prescribing or dispensing an opioid or benzodiazepine for more than seven consecutive days, and every ninety days thereafter while the course of treatment or therapy continues, or prior to dispensing another refill after ninety days.

Bill 23-0920, the "Insulin Affordability Amendment Act of 2020", would amend the Specialty Drug Copayment Limitation Act to impose a limit on the amount that a person must pay in copayment or coinsurance through a health benefit plan for a prescription for insulin.

Persons wishing to provide oral testimony should contact Malcolm Cameron, Legislative Analyst of the Committee on Health by e-mail at mcameron@dccouncil.us or by phone at (202) 341-4425 before 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020. When sending an e-mail or leaving a voicemail, please provide Mr. Cameron with the following information:

- Your first and last name;
- The name of the organization you are representing (if any);
- Your title with the organization;

- Your e-mail address:
- Your phone number; and
- The specific bill/s you will be testifying about.

Mr. Cameron will e-mail a confirmation of your attendance with an agenda, witness list, and attached instructions for accessing the Webex video conference hearing by 6:00 p.m. on October 27, 2020. Oral testimony will be strictly limited to three minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to testify.

For accommodation requests, including spoken language or sign language interpretation, please inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. The Council will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, however requests received in less than five (5) business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

Persons wishing to provide written testimony should e-mail their written testimony to Malcolm Cameron, Legislative Analyst of the Committee on Health at mcameron@dccouncil.us before 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 11, 2020. Any testimony provided after this time will not be made part of the hearing record. Please indicate that you are submitting testimony for this hearing in the subject line of the e-mail. The Committee also welcomes e-mails commenting on the proposed legislation, however, this correspondence is not included in the official Committee report if it is not labeled as testimony.