

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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**COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT C. GRAY, CHAIRPERSON
THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON

**BILL 24-764, THE “CLINICAL LABORATORY PRACTITIONERS AMENDMENT
ACT OF 2022”**

**BILL 24-830, THE “PROTECTING HEALTH PROFESSIONALS PROVIDING
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE AMENDMENT ACT OF 2022”**

**BILL 24-942, THE “CONSENT FOR VACCINATIONS OF MINORS AMENDMENT
ACT OF 2022”**

**BILL 24-943, THE “HIGH NEED HEALTHCARE CAREER SCHOLARSHIP AND
HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT ACT
OF 2022”**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022, 10:00 AM
REMOTE HEARING VIA WEBEX
STREAMED LIVE ON YOUTUBE AT [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/SEPCOH](https://tinyurl.com/sepcOH)**

Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson of the Committee on Health, announces a Public Hearing on Bill 24-764, the “Clinical Laboratory Practitioners Amendment Act of 2022”, Bill 24-830, the “Protecting Health Professionals Providing Reproductive Health Care Amendment Act of 2022”, Bill 24-942, the “Consent for Vaccinations of Minors Amendment Act of 2022”, and Bill 24-943, the “High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program Amendment Act of 2022.” The hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 10:00 a.m, via Webex.

Bill 24-764, the “Clinical Laboratory Practitioners Amendment Act of 2022”, would move the responsibility for licensing or registration and regulation of clinical laboratory practitioners from the Board of Pharmacy to the Board of Medicine. It would also clarify what qualifications are needed to be a clinical laboratory director and updates the definition and scope of practice for the clinical laboratory practitioners. Lastly, it would expand the role of the Advisory Committee on Clinical Laboratory Practitioners by including proposed regulations for the licensure or registration of clinical laboratory practitioners.

Bill 24-830, the “Protecting Health Professionals Providing Reproductive Health Care Amendment Act of 2022”, would prohibit disciplinary measures against licensed health

professionals solely for providing abortion and reproductive health care services to patients who live in states where the services are illegal.

Bill 24-942, the “Consent for Vaccinations of Minors Amendment Act of 2022”, would allow emancipated minors, minors who are or previously have been married, unaccompanied homeless minors, minors who are or have been pregnant, or minors who are separated from their parents or legal guardian without the support by their parents or guardian to consent to receive a vaccine recommended by the United States Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices; allow vaccine providers to accept consent of any other minor when the provider has made reasonable attempts to obtain consent from the minor’s parent or legal guardian; and make other conforming changes.

Bill 24-943, the “High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program Amendment Act of 2022”, would establish a scholarship program for high-need health care careers to be administered by the Mayor; establish eligibility requirements for applicants to the program; require commitments for program participant; establish eligibility and selection criteria for participating training programs and schools; allow the Mayor rule making authority to implement this program; expand the Health Recruitment Program to include loan repayments for medical specialties, sub-specialties and part-time hours in medically-underserved areas; allow the Mayor to issue schedules for the loan payment program; and allow the Mayor rule making authority to implement this program.

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 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 26, 2022. 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 September 27th. 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, October 5, 2022. Please indicate that you are submitting testimony for this hearing in the subject line of the e-mail.