

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER CHRISTINA HENDERSON, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE

ON

DC Health Grant to Children's School Services to Staff School Health Suites

ON

Thursday January 4, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Hybrid in Room 500 and Virtual via Zoom

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Councilmember Christina Henderson, Chair of the Committee on Health, announce a oversight roundtable on DC Health Grant to Children's School Services to Staff School Health Suites. The roundtable will be held on Thursday, January 4, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in room 500.

At this oversight roundtable, the Committee will hear from public and government witnesses about staffing challenges for the school health suites. DC Health provides a grant to Children's School Services to staff the health suites in public and public charter schools. In School Year 2023-2024, DC Health and Children's rolled out a new staffing model that promised to address chronic problems of understaffed health suites. However, the Committee has learned that, as of November 28, 2023, only 56% of the health suites that participate in the School Health Services Program were staffed with 40 hours of staffing coverage. Through this roundtable, the Committee will seek answers on why the new model has not delivered on its intended results and identify solutions to increase high quality staffing of school health suites. This will be a hybrid hearing.

Public witnesses will be given the option to present in-person or virtual testimony. DC Health and Children's School Services will testify in person. Public witnesses will have 5 minutes to speak if they are representing an organization, and 3 minutes if they are speaking for themselves. Please note that depending on the length of the list, the amount of time to testify will vary. The public should sign up at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/Hearings> by 5pm on Tuesday, January 2, 2024. Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered.

Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. If you have additional questions, please email Ashley Strange, Legislative Assistant at astrange@dccouncil.gov.

Testimony should be submitted through the Council's Hearing Management System <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> in advance of the hearing. Testimony will be publicly accessible upon Committee review. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted through the Hearing Management System. The record will close at 5:00pm on Thursday January 18, 2024.