

**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

Maternal and Infant Health: Addressing Coverage, Care, and Challenges in the District

ON

Thursday December 14, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Hybrid in Room 120 and Virtual via Zoom

To Watch Live:

<https://dccouncil.gov/council-videos/>
<https://www.christinahendersondc.com/live>
<https://www.youtube.com/@cmchenderson>

Councilmember Christina Henderson, Chair of the Committee on Health, announce an oversight roundtable on Maternal and Infant Health: Addressing Coverage, Care, and Challenges in the District. The roundtable will be held on Thursday December 14, 2023, at 9:30a.m.

The Committee on Health will host a public roundtable on maternal and infant health. Topics of discussion will include challenges in doula and midwife coverage under Medicaid, transportation for prenatal appointments, findings from the Perinatal Mental Health Taskforce, trends in maternal and infant health over five years, hospital-specific morbidity and mortality rates, and recommendations from the Perinatal and Infant Health Advisory Committee. Representatives from Department of Health Care Finance and DC Health will testify, along with expert and public witnesses.

Witnesses will be appearing virtually using the Zoom platform. Public witnesses will have 5 minutes to speak if they are representing an organization, and 3 minutes if they are speaking for themselves. The public should sign up at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/Hearings> by 5pm on Tuesday, December 12, 2023. 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 or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6046. The record will close at 5:00pm on Thursday, December 28, 2023.