



Prince George's County Council

Wayne K. Curry Administration
Building
1301 McCormick Dr
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Meeting Minutes - Draft Sitting as the Board of Health

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

11:30 AM

Council Hearing Room

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CALL TO ORDER - (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

The meeting was convened by Chair Krystal Oriadha at 11:43 a.m. with six members present at roll call. Council Members Olson and Harrison arrived at 11:46 a.m.

Present: 8 - Chair Krystal Oriadha
Vice Chair Eric Olson
Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford
Council Member Edward Burroughs
Council Member Thomas Dernoga
Council Member Sydney Harrison
Council Member Danielle Hunter
Council Member Timothy Adams

Absent: Council Member Wala Blegay
Council Member Wanika Fisher
Council Member Jolene Ivey

Also present:

David Murray, Council Administrator

Colette Gresham, Deputy Council Administrator

Karen Zavakos, Associate Council Administrator

Donna Brown, Clerk of the Council

Leonard Moses, Deputy Clerk of the Council

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Anya Makarova, Senior Advisor to the Board of Health

Andrew Ballard, PhD, Chief of Public Health Policy and Innovation, Office of the Health Officer

Dr. Dr. Diane J. Young, DrPH, MS, RN, Associate Director, Office of the Health Officer

BRIEFING – (COUNCIL HEARING ROOM)

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MARYLAND MATERNAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT STRATEGIC PLAN BRIEFING

Dr. Donna M. Neale

University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS)

University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM)

Attachment(s): [Maryland Maternal Health Improvement Strategic Plan 2025](#)
[Maternal Infant Health Assessment Prince Georges County 2025 by PGC Health Department](#)
[Obstetric Beds Capacity Comparison by Jurisdiction PG County Council BOH meeting May 5 2026](#)
[Maternal Health Dr Neale Presentation Revised](#)

Anya Makarova, Senior Advisor to the Board of Health, provided an overview of maternal health within the state of Maryland and introduced Dr. Donna Neale, University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS), University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM), who facilitated a PowerPoint presentation titled, "The Maryland Maternal Health Improvement 2025 Strategic Plan". The presentation highlighted the following: Maryland Maternal Health Improvement Taskforce; Maternal Health 2025 Strategic Plan; Strategic Plan 2.0 Development Process; 2025 Goals and Objectives; Making the Strategic Plan Actionable; Task Force Engagement and Specific Deliverables; Ongoing Taskforce Efforts; and Community Partnerships. Dr.

Neale and Jennifer Iverson, Executive Director, Home Resource Connect, then responded to questions from Council Members.

This Briefing was held.

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THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 12:38 P.M.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Olson, seconded by Council Member Hunter, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

Prepared by:

Edgar L. Reese, III, Legislative Reference Aide

Submitted by:

Donna J. Brown, Clerk of the Council