

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2023 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-099-2023

Chapter No. 74

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Franklin, Oriadha, and Burroughs

Introduced by Council Members Franklin, Oriadha, Burroughs, Dernoga, Ivey, Watson,  
Hawkins, Fisher, Blegay and Olson

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction October 17, 2023

**BILL**

1 AN ACT concerning

2 County Employee Access to Local Health Care

3 For the purpose of requiring that any health insurer contracted to offer health insurance plans to  
 4 county employees include at least one health insurance plan with an inpatient hospital located in  
 5 Prince George's County in its coverage network.

6 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

7 SUBTITLE 16. PERSONNEL.

8 Section 16-212,

9 The Prince George's County Code

10 (2019 Edition; 2022 Supplement).

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
 12 Maryland, that Section 16-212 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby  
 13 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

14 SUBTITLE 16. PERSONNEL.

15 DIVISION 15. DEVELOPMENT AND INCENTIVES.

16 **Sec. 16-212. - Health and life insurance plans.**

17 The County Executive shall establish health and life insurance plans for the benefit of all  
 18 permanent status employees. Said plans may provide for contributions by both the County and  
 19 participating employees toward the cost of maintaining said plans. The benefits established under  
 20 said plans, as well as any County contributions thereto, may be increased from time to time by

1 the County Executive, but said benefits and/or contributions shall not be decreased by the  
2 County Executive without the prior approval of the County Council by resolution or by a specific  
3 reduction of the amount of funds budgeted for said purposes. Any insurer contracted with or  
4 procured by the County to provide health insurance to county employees shall offer at least one  
5 health insurance plan to county employees that includes a hospital that both provides inpatient  
6 hospital care and is located in Prince George’s County in the health insurance plan’s coverage  
7 network for inpatient hospital care. This provision shall apply prospectively to the time of the  
8 County contract renewal, extension, or procurement for health insurance plans.

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10 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby  
11 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,  
12 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of  
13 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining  
14 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this  
15 Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such  
16 invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection,  
17 or section.

18 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)  
19 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas E. Dernoga  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Angela D. Alsobrooks  
County Executive

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.

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