



HEARING NOTES

Resolution: 23-0200R

Informational Hearing - School-based Health Clinics

Committee: Education, Workforce, and Youth
Chaired by: Councilman Robert Stokes, Sr

Hearing Date: June 20, 2024
Time (Beginning): 10:05 AM
Time (Ending): 12:18 PM
Location: Council Chambers
Total Attendance: Approximately 18
Committee Members in Attendance:
Robert Stokes John Bullock
Phylcia Porter James Torrence

Bill Synopsis in the file?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Attendance sheet in the file?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Agency reports read?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Hearing televised or audio-digitally recorded?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Certification of advertising/posting notices in the file?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Evidence of notification to property owners?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
Final vote taken at this hearing?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Motioned by:	Porter		
Seconded by:	Bullock		
Final Vote:	Favorable		

Major Speakers
(This is not an attendance record.)

- Dr. Benjamin Wormser, Medical Director, Bureau of Maternal & Child Health Maryland Department of Health
- Dr. Kate Conner, Medical Director, The Rales Health Center at KIPP Baltimore
- Mark Luckner, Maryland Community Health Resources Commission
- Dr. Allen Dobson, Dobson & DaVanzo
- Sandra Agik, Dobson & DaVanzo

- Julia Roche, Baltimore City Health Department
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Major Issues Discussed

1. **Clarification of School-Based Health Centers vs. School Health Suites:** Defined the difference between comprehensive health services provided by School-Based Health Centers and basic services akin to a school nurse in School Health Suites.
 2. **Infrastructure and Capacity Challenges:** Baltimore City Schools highlighted their current lack of necessary infrastructure (labs, medication setups) hindering the operation of School-Based Health Centers.
 3. **Partnerships and Future Plans:** Emphasis on partnerships with Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD), Baltimore Medical System (BMS), and Johns Hopkins University for staffing and operational support.
 4. **Funding and Operational Costs:** Discussions on funding sources and operational costs associated with running school-based health centers.
 5. **Equity in Access to Health Services:** Concerns about ensuring equal access to health services among students, particularly in underserved areas.
 6. **Impact on Health and Educational Outcomes:** Evaluation of how school-based health centers influence health outcomes and educational achievement among students.
 7. **Sustainability and Integration:** Strategies for sustainable integration of health services within school settings, ensuring long-term effectiveness.
 8. **Assessment of School Health Services:** Efforts focused on assessing and improving the quality of health services provided within Baltimore City Schools, addressing disparities and gaps.
 9. **Funding Formula Standardization:** Discussions centered around standardizing funding formulas for school-based health centers based on service types, operational hours, and number of centers.
 10. **Community Health Needs:** Highlighted specific health needs within Baltimore communities, such as asthma and diabetes rates among school children, exacerbated by COVID-19 challenges.
 11. **Impact Evaluation and Partnership Coordination:** Emphasis on evaluating the overall impact of school-based health centers and coordinating efforts between Baltimore City Health Department, City Schools, and external partners.
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Further Study

Was further study requested?

Yes No

If yes, describe.

1. Request for improved data interoperability between school-based health centers, schools, and health departments to facilitate seamless access to student health records.
2. Detailed data on school-by-school healthcare provider services and attendance over the past three years was requested to assess the impact of health services on student attendance and outcomes.
3. Request for transparency regarding funding sources allocated for upgrading Health Suites and establishing new Health Centers within schools.
4. Clarification was sought on why federal funds, such as Esser funding and Blueprint funds, were not prioritized for expanding health centers across Baltimore schools.
5. Request for detailed information on the staffing levels of Registered Nurses (RNs) supervising LPNs and CNAs across all school-based health centers, along with the use of external vendors for additional support.
6. Request for why some schools or health centers choose not to participate in the Maryland School-Based Health Center Program despite potential benefits and associated grants.
7. Further clarification and data sharing were requested regarding operational details of school-based health centers, including funding breakdowns, staffing levels, and service delivery across Baltimore City.

Committee Vote:

R. Stokes:.....	Yea
J. Bullock:.....	Yea
Z. Cohen:.....	Absent
A. Glover:.....	Absent
S. Middleton:.....	Absent
J. Torrence:.....	Yea
P. Porter:.....	Yea

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VOTING RECORD**

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MOTION BY: Porter **SECONDED BY:** Bullock

- FAVORABLE** **FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS**
 UNFAVORABLE **WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Stokes, R, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bullock, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glover, A.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cohen, Z.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Middleton, S.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Porter, P.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Torrence, J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTALS				

CHAIR: Robert Stokes x 

COMMITTEE STAFF: Deontre Hayes, Initials: DH

City of Baltimore

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Education Workforce and Youth

Thursday, June 20, 2024

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CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE

Present 4 - Robert Stokes Sr., John T. Bullock, Phylicia Porter, and James Torrence

Absent 3 - Zeke Cohen, Antonio Glover, and Sharon Green Middleton

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

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For the purpose of inviting representatives from the Baltimore City Public School System, the Baltimore Health Department, the Maryland Department of Health, the Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success, and other relevant stakeholders to discuss the development, expansion, and preservation of school-based health clinics throughout the Baltimore City Public School System.

Sponsors: Phylicia Porter, John T. Bullock

A motion was made by Porter, seconded by Bullock, that this City Council Resolution be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Stokes Sr., Bullock, Porter, and Torrence

Absent: 3 - Cohen, Glover, and Middleton

ADJOURNMENT