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**BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE**

*Mission Statement*

On behalf of the Citizens of Baltimore City, the mission of the **Public Health and Environment Committee** is dedicated to safeguarding the well-being of Baltimore's residents by advancing policies that promote health equity, environmental justice, and sustainability. Recognizing the deep connection between public health and the environment, the committee works to reduce health disparities, improve access to essential services, and address climate-related challenges that impact communities.

**The Honorable Phylicia Porter  
Chair**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2025  
10:00 AM**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

*Legislative Oversight #LO25-0021*

**City's Response to the Opioid Crisis**

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### BILL SYNOPSIS

**Committee: Public Health and Environment**

**Legislative Oversight: LO25-0021**

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### City's Response to the Opioid Crisis

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**Sponsor:** Councilmembers Porter, et al

**Introduced:** June 16, 2025

#### **Purpose:**

**For the purpose:** to provide a platform for city agencies, healthcare providers, and community advocates to discuss ongoing challenges, identify service gaps, and explore policy solutions to enhance Baltimore's collective response to opioid addiction and overdose prevention.

Effective: Upon enactment.

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### Agency Attending/Reporting

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| Baltimore City Health Department |  |
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### Analysis

#### **Background**

On Wednesday, July 9, 2025, the committee will convene. Per the primary sponsor, this hearing will provide city agencies, pertinent organizations and/or advocates the opportunity to discuss the following topics relating to the Opioid Crisis. Topics such as:

- Ongoing challenges
  - Identifying gaps in services
  - Explore policy solutions to enhance Baltimore's city collective response to opioid addiction and overdose prevention
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### **Additional Information**

**Fiscal Note:** None

**Information Source(s):** Primary sponsor, the Honorable Phylicia Porter.

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**AGENCY REPORTS  
AND/OR  
HANDOUTS**

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