

## MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR

July 12, 2022

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 3 of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee Establishment Act of 2018, effective June 5, 2018 (D.C. Law 22-111; D.C. Official Code § 7-671.02), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Dr. Colleen Kepner Hillwood Avenue Falls Church, Virginia 22042

for appointment as a person with experience in obstetrics and gynecology from a District hospital or birthing center member of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee, replacing Dr. Rita Calabro, for a term to end January 10, 2025.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Chairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the appointment of Dr. Colleen Kepner to the Maternal Mortality Review Committee.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Maternal Mortality Review Committee Dr. Colleen Kepner Confirmation Resolution of 2022".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Dr. Colleen Kepner Madison Street, NW Washington, DC 20011 (Ward 4)

- as a person with experience in obstetrics and gynecology from a District hospital or birthing
- center member of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee, pursuant to section 3 of the
- 32 Maternal Mortality Review Committee Establishment Act of 2018, effective June 5, 2018 (D.C.
- 33 Law 22-111; D.C. Official Code §7-671.02), replacing Dr. Rita Calabro, for a term to end
  - January 10, 2025.
    - Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
- upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
  - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

#### DEMOGRAPHIC AND PERSONAL INFORMATION

University Appointments

Assistant Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology, VCU at Inova 2016-2020

Assistant Professor of Medical Education, Instructional Faculty, 2019-2022

University of Virginia

Pending, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine 2022

Hospital Appointments

2003-2015 Avista Adventist Hospital, Louisville, CO

Saint Anthony's Central Hospital, Denver, CO (now closed) 2003-2005

2015-2022 Inova Fairfax Hospital, Fairfax, VA

Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington, DC 2022-present

Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD 2022-present

## Personal Data

804 Hillwood Avenue Falls Church, VA 22042 cskepner@yahoo.com

Education and Training

BA History and Political Science, Denison University, Granville, OH 1986-1990 Post Baccalaureate Pre-Medical Program completion, Goucher College, 1994-1995

Baltimore, MD 1995-1999 MD MCP-Hahnemann SOM, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

Internship and residency, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Washington 1999-2003

Center, Washington, DC Hospital

Professional Experience

Legislative Assistant for Health Policy, Congressman Charles Stenholm 1990-1994

Washington, DC

Obstetrician Gynecologist, Clinica Family Health, Thornton, CO 2003-2015

Assistant Medical Director, Clinica Family Health, Thornton, CO 2007-2008

Director of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology, Clinical Family Health, 2008-2015

Lafayette, CO

Obstetrics and Gynecology Faculty, Inova Fairfax Hospital, Fairfax, VA 2015-2022

Director of OB Hospitalists Programs, National Capital Region 2022-present

Sibley Memorial Hospital, Johns Hopkins Medicine

#### CLINICAL ACTIVITIES

Clinical Focus

Career long commitment to excellence and equity in Ob/Gyn care in medically underserved communities starting prior to entering field of medicine and ongoing primary focus in all positions.

Licensure

Colorado 41634 2003 - present

2009-2014 Maryland 2021-present 2015-present Maryland D 69207 Virginia 0101257795

2021-present

District of Columbia 210001627

Colleen S. Kepner, MD

Certification

2006- present American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology 9007714

Clinical Service

2003-2008 Full time clinical, NP, PA and CNM supervision, Clinica Family Health 2008-2015 Eighty percent clinical with supervisory responsibility for NP, PA and CNM.

Clinica Family Health

2015-2022 Full time clinical. Eighty percent resident and medical student supervision, Inova Cares Clinic for Women and Inova Fairfax

Hospital

2022-present Fifty percent clinical as OB/Gyn Hospitalist, Sibley Memorial

Hospital

#### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

#### Educational Focus

2015-present Clinical time has been dedicated to teaching residents and medical students in the inpatient and outpatient setting daily. Primary area of interest is in the foundational skills required for an effective OB/Gyn to include office procedures as well as a special focus on surgical skills development.

2015-2017 class	Gestational Diabetes problem based course for each 3rd year clerkship
2015-2017	POETs course simulation instructor, quarterly
2016-2017	Residency Recruitment and interview Committee, seasonal
2018	Management of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding, resident lecture
2018-2019	Sexually Transmitted Infection lecture for resident class, annually
2019	Post operative complications resident lecture
2019-2022	Supervise pre-op conference monthly
2019-2022	Supervise Journal Club monthly
2019-2022	Cervical dysplasia diagnosis and treatment. Problem based seminar,
annually.	
2019-2022	LEEP and Colposcopy skills simulation, annually.
2019-2022	Resident bootcamp surgical skills training, annually
2021-2022	Residency Recruitment and Interview Committee, seasonal

## QUALITY IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES

2010-2015 Member, Perinatal Taskforce, Avista Hospital

2012-2015 Member, NextGen Implementation and Customization Task Force,

Clinica Family Health

2012-2015 Co-Lead Physician, Cesarean Section Reduction Initiative, Avista

Adventist Hospital

Decreased cesarean rate from 33% to 23% in the time period

2014 Physician Representative, JACHO Perinatal Care Certification

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Committee, Avista Adventist Hospital

2014-2015 Physician Representative, SSI reduction initiative, Avista Adventist

Hospital

2014 2015	Member, EPIC implementation team, Avista Adventist Hospital
2014-2015	Member, Eric Implementation team, Avista Adventise Hospital
2015-2016	Lead Physician, High Risk Centering Pregnancy Project, Inova Cares
Clinic for	Women.
2015-2017	Member, Perinatal Taskforce, Inova Fairfax Hospital
2015-2022	Member, Promoting Vaginal Birth Committee, Inova Fairfax Hospital
2017-2020	Co-Lead and resident advisor, Early versus late amniotomy to reduce
peripartum	infection project, Inova Fairfax Hospital
2020-2021	Lead Physician, LEEP and Colposcopy Access Project, Inova Cares Clinic
for	Women
2022-present	Lead Physician, AIM Hypertension bundle implementation
project, Sible	Memorial Hospital
	Colleen S. Kepner, MD

System Innovation and Quality Improvement Program Building

2012-2015	Lead Physician in development of joint community and clinic physician
staffed	OB/Gyn hospitalist program for Avista Adventist
Hospital	
•	Decreased cesarean section rate, unattended births and safety
events on	the unit.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Institutional 3/2007-2/200 2/2008-5/201 Health		
3/2022-preser	nt Director OB Hospitalist Program, National Capital Region, Sibley Memorial Hospital, John Hopkins Medicine	
Peer Review 2008-2015 2021-2022 Fairfax	Peer Review and Credentialing Committee, Clinica Family Health Primary Cesarean Reduction Task Force Peer Review, Inova Hospital	
RECOGNITION 2000-2002 National Health Service Corps Scholar		
2004-2009 2016	Colorado Health Service Corps VCU at Inova - Award for Best Clinical Educator in OBGyn Clerkship	

SERVICE 2019-present reduction of Fairfax Hospital	Trained Volunteer Counselor, Peer to Peer Network for the secondary trauma in health care, Inova
2022-present Hospital	Advisory Board Member, DC Perinatal Quality Commission, DC Association
2022-present Memorial Hospital	Physician Advisor, Maternal Health Access Program, Sibley



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## Dr. Colleen Kepner



After starting her career on Capitol Hill as a Legislative Assistant for Health Policy and volunteering at the Whitman Walker Clinic, Dr. Kepner recognized her passion for direct patient care and transitioned from politics to medicine. Medical school at MCP- Hahnemann in Philadelphia, followed by OB/Gyn residency at the Washington Hospital Center, strengthened her commitment to providing excellent care for historically marginalized patients.

As a National Health Service Corps scholar, she began her practice in Colorado working with women on the traditional migrant farm worker stream that travels north from Mexico seasonally.

Leading the OB/Gyn team at Clinica Family Health, an FHQC nationally recognized for care outcomes and equity, is also where she expanded her interest in health care leadership with a focus on education and quality improvement projects. One of her most enduring projects was the development of a clinic-private practitioner co-op OB/Gyn Hospitalist program designed to provide immediate access to safe care, as well as nursing support, education and structure for emergency situations for all patients on the unit, including those patients admitted by CNMs and Family Practice physicians.

Upon returning to the D.C. area, Dr. Kepner joined the OB/Gyn faculty at Inova Fairfax Hospital. There she continued her focus on expanding access for all patients through outpatient work at the Inova Cares Clinic, as well as honing her clinical skills in a high acuity setting as a Safety Officer for the Women's Hospital. She also served as a teaching hospitalist with the Inova residency program and the medical school of UVA. At Inova she continued her commitment to quality improvement through several ongoing hospital committee projects including Safe Promotion of Vaginal Birth. In the outpatient setting she focused on multiple quality improvement programs with a special emphasis on clinic processes and patient flow, group care in high-risk pregnancy and colposcopy access for uninsured women in the Northern Virginia region.

Currently, Dr. Kepner is working with Sibley Memorial Hospital as the department embarks upon the expansion of their hospital-based Obstetrics program to provide a broader range of excellence in OB/Gyn care for even more women in the D.C. region.

She currently holds a bachelor's in History and Political Science from Denison University, completed her post baccalaureate pre-medical program at Goucher college, and her doctorate from Drexel University.



## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# **Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser**



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

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Bryan Hum, Steve Walker

From:

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Date:

June 30, 2022

Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating members to the Maternal

Mortality Review Committee

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Vanessa Careiro, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish