



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:

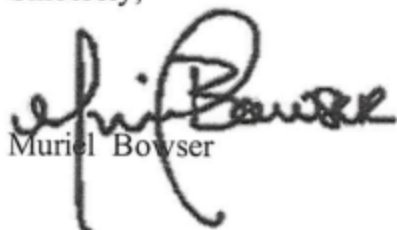
Dr. Christina Marea
24th Street, NE
Washington, DC 20018
(Ward 5)


for reappointment as a person with experience in obstetrics and gynecology from a District hospital or birthing center member of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee, 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,


Muriel Bowser


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the reappointment of Dr. Christina Marea 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. Christina Marea Confirmation Resolution of 2022”.

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

Dr. Christina Marea
24th Street, NE
Washington, DC 20018
(Ward 5)

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 Maternal Mortality Review Committee Establishment Act of 2018, effective June 5, 2018 (D.C. Law 22-111; D.C. Official Code § 7-671.02), 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.

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DATA

Christina X. Marea, PhD, MSN, MA, CNM
Advanced Practice Nursing
School of Nursing and Health Studies
Georgetown University

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1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

A. Education

Years	Degree/Coursework	Institution
September 2021 – Present	TL1 Postdoctoral Fellowship	Georgetown-Howard Universities Center for Clinical and Translational Science
December 2020	PhD	Johns Hopkins School of Nursing Baltimore, MD
May 2010	Master of Science in Nursing	Yale School of Nursing New Haven, CT
May 2008	Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution	University of Bradford, Bradford, West Yorkshire, UK
May 2002	Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service	Georgetown University Washington, DC

Fellowship: Better Selves Fellowship, Knoll Farm, Vermont, USA, 2017
University of Bradford, Rotary World Peace Fellowship, West Yorkshire,
United Kingdom, 2006-2008

B. Professional Experience

Years	Title	Institution/Location
2020 – Present	Assistant Professor, Educator Track Nurse-Midwifery/ WHNP	Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies, Washington DC
2013 – 2019	Adjunct Instructor, OCI Coordinator, Nurse-Midwifery/ WHNP	Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies, Washington DC

2017 – 2019	External Consultant	World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland (remote)
2013 - 2019	Coordinator for Simulation, Nurse-Midwifery/WHNP	Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies, Washington DC
2018 – Present	Certified Nurse Midwife	Community of Hope Washington, DC
2015 – 2017	Certified Nurse Midwife	Providence Hospital Washington DC
2014 – 2015	Certified Nurse Midwife	Physicians and Midwives Alexandria, VA
2012 – 2013	Certified Nurse Midwife	Doctors Without Borders, Maban, South Sudan
2010 - 2012	Certified Nurse Midwife	Medstar Washington Hospital Center, Washington DC
2009 – 2010	Registered Nurse	Fair Haven Community Health Center, New Haven, CT
2009	Co-Director	Haven Free Clinic, New Haven, CT
2008	External Consultant	UNHCR/UNRWA, Damascus, Syria
2007	Certified Professional Midwife	Hospitalito Atitlan, Santiago Atitlan, Guatemala
2006 – 2007	Certified Professional Midwife	Maternidad La Luz, El Paso, TX
2003 – 2004	Marketing Associate	Advisory Board Company, Washington DC
2002 – 2005	Director	Learning Enterprises, Washington DC

C. Licensure

Registered Nurse/ Certified Nurse-Midwife

State: DC

License No: RN1020288

Initial Date: May 2010

Renewal/ Expiration: December 2022

D. Certification

Years	Source	Type
2010 – 2022	American Midwifery Certification Board	Certified Nurse Midwife

E. Languages Spoken: English, Spanish

2. RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

A. Publications:

i. Original Papers in Refereed Journals

1. Marea, C. X., Warren, N., Glass, N., Johnson-Agbakwu, C., & Perrin, N. (2021). Assessing the reliability and validity of attitudes and confidence scales for the care of women and girls affected by female genital cutting/ mutilation. *BMC Public Health*, 21(1415). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12889-021-11455-8>
2. Marea, C. X.; Warren, N.; Glass, N.; Johnson-Agbakwu, C.; Perrin, N. (2021) Factors Associated with Health Care Provider Awareness, Attitudes, and Confidence for the Care of Women and Girls Affected by FGM/C, *Health Equity* 5:1, 329–337, DOI: 10.1089/heq.2020.0130.
3. Njie-Carr, V.P.S., Sabri, B., Messing, J.T., Ward-Lasher, A., Marea, C., Wachter, K., & Campbell, J. (2020). Understanding intimate partner violence among immigrant and refugee women: A grounded theory analysis. *Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment, & Trauma (JAMT)*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10926771.2020.1796870>
4. Kaufman, M. R., Grilo, G., Williams, A., Marea, C. X., Fentaye, F. W., Abebe Gebretsadik, L., & Yedenekal, S. A. (2019). The Intersection of Gender-Based Violence and Risky Sexual Behaviour among University Students in Ethiopia: A Qualitative Study *Psychology & Sexuality*, 11(3), 198-211. <https://doi.org/10.1080/19419899.2019.1667418>
5. Kaufman, M. R., Williams, A. M., Grilo, G., Marea, C. X., Fentaye, F. W., Gebretsadik, L. A., & Yedenekal, S. A. (2019). “We are responsible for the violence, and prevention is up to us”: a qualitative study of perceived risk factors for gender-based violence among Ethiopian university students. *BMC Women’s Health*, 19(1), 131. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12905-019-0824-0>
6. Nersesian, P. V., Starbird, L. E., Wilson, D. M., Marea, C. X., Uveges, M. K., Choi, S. S. W., ... Cajita, M. I. (2019). Mentoring in research-focused doctoral nursing programs and student perceptions of career readiness in the United States. *Journal of Professional Nursing*, 35(5), 358–364. <https://doi.org/10.1016/J.PROFNURS.2019.04.005>
7. Alvarez CP, Davidson PM, Fleming C, Glass NE. Elements of effective interventions for addressing intimate partner violence in Latina women: A systematic review. *PLoS One*. 2016;11(8):1-13. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0160518
8. Grace KT, Fleming C. A Systematic Review of Reproductive Coercion in International Settings. *World Med Heal Policy*. 2016;8(4):382-408. doi:doi:10.1002/wmh3.209

Manuscripts Under Peer Review

Dissertation Manuscripts Pending Submission

Marea, C. X.; Warren, N.; Glass, N.; Pallitto, C. Advancing the Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Health Care Providers Who Care for Women and Girls Who have Undergone FGM/C: A Qualitative Exploration of Expert Opinion.

ii. Abstracts for Conference papers and posters

International

1. **Marea C**, Evans M, Warren N, Pallitto C. Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices of Health Care Providers for Female Genital Cutting: A Qualitative Exploration. 3rd International Expert Meeting on Female Genital Mutilation / Cutting Sharing data and experiences, improving collaboration. 2019 May 20-22. Brussels, Belgium
2. **Marea C**, Johnson-Agbakwu C, Fox K. Female Genital Cutting (FGC) Status of Daughters and Family Decision-Making Among Somali Refugee Families in Arizona: A Mixed Methods Analysis. XXII FIGO Congress. 2018 October 14-19. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
3. Njie-Carr V, Sabri B, Messing JT, Suarez C, Ward-Lasher A, **Fleming C**, Campbell J. Engendering Resilience to Survive in the Lives of Abused Immigrant and Refugee Women: A Grounded Theory Study. Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International. 2018 September 27-29. Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario, Canada.
4. Njie-Carr V, Sabri B, Messing JT, Suarez C, Ward-Lasher A, **Fleming C**, Campbell J. Common and Culturally Specific Factors Related to Intimate-Partner Violence among Immigrant and Refugee Women: Implications for Safety Planning. Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International. 2018 September 27-29. Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario, Canada.
5. **Fleming C**, Evans M, Warren N, Johnson-Agbakwu C. Development and Evaluation of an Evidence-Based Training Workshop for Health Care Providers Caring for Women and Girls Affected by Female Genital Cutting (FGC). 12th Biennial Conference of the Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery. 2018 July 18-19. Cairns, Australia.
6. **Fleming C**, Evans M, Warren N, Johnson-Agbakwu C. Health Care Provider Competencies Caring for FGC-Affected Populations – A Conceptual Map. 2nd International Expert Meeting on Female Genital Mutilation / Cutting Sharing data and experiences, improving collaboration. 2018 May 28-29. CHU Sainte-Justine, Montreal, Canada.

National

7. Nersesian P, Starbird L, Choi S, Wilson D, **Fleming C**, Kurtz M, Szanton S. Mentoring in research doctorate nursing programs and students' perceived career readiness. Nursing Education Research Conference. 2018 April 2019-2021. Washington, D.C., USA.
8. Worly B, Heinrichs G, **Fleming C**. Sexual Health Education – How to Handle the Hard Stuff. Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics Conference. 2018 January 6-9. Palm Beach, Florida, USA.

Local

9. Escobar M, Marea C. Integrating a Health Equity Framework for Health Professional Education. Gender+ Justice Colloquium, Georgetown University. 2021 April 8-9. Washington D.C. USA

iii. Reports

1. DC Maternal Mortality Review Commission Annual Report 2019-2020

B. Research Funding:

i. Current Active

Agency: Hillman Foundation
Identifying Number: Innovations in Care
Title of Project: Thriving in the Postpartum Year: A Nurse-Midwife Led Group
Intervention to Promote the Health and Wellbeing of Families Experiencing Racism in
Washington D.C.
Dates of Project Period: January 2022 – December 2024
Corresponding PI: Christina Marea, PhD
Total Direct Costs over all years of award: \$510,000
Total Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ 90,000
Total Direct plus Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ 600,000
Role on Project: Principal Investigator

Agency: Pew Charitable Trust
Identifying Number: NA
Title of Project: Calling All Sectors Initiative: Exploring the Experiences of Pregnant
People Experiencing Homelessness
Dates of Project Period: November 2021 – May 2022
Corresponding PI: Christina Marea, PhD
Total Direct Costs over all years of award: \$25,000 (sub-Award)
Total Indirect Costs over all years of award: NA
Total Direct plus Indirect Costs over all years of award:
Role on Project: Co-Principal Investigator

Agency: NRSA Translational Biomedical Scient Training Grant
Identifying Number: TL1TR001431
Title of Project: Thriving in the Postpartum Year: A Nurse-Midwife Led Group
Intervention to Promote the Health and Wellbeing of Families Experiencing Racism in
Washington DC
Dates of Project Period: 9/1/2021 – 8/31/2022
Corresponding PI: Kathryn Sandberg
Role on Project: Postdoctoral Fellow

ii. Submitted (Not yet funded)

Agency:
Identifying Number:
Title of Project:
Dates of Project Period:
Corresponding PI:
Total Direct Costs over all years of award:
Total Indirect Costs over all years of award:
Total Direct plus Indirect Costs over all years of award:
Role on Project:

iii. Previous

Agency: World Health Organization

Identifying Number: ERC.0003031

Title of Project: Construction and Validation of a Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices Instrument for Health Care Providers Caring for FGMC-Affected Populations

Dates of Project Period: August 2017 – May 2020

Corresponding PI: Christina Marea

Total Direct Costs over all years of award: \$50,000

Total Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ NA

Total Direct plus Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ NA

Role on Project: Principal Investigator

Agency: Heilbrunn Foundation

Identifying Number: NA

Title of Project: Construction and Validation of a Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices Instrument for Health Care Providers Caring for FGMC-Affected Populations

Dates of Project Period: June 2018 – June 2020

Corresponding PI: Christina Marea

Total Direct Costs over all years of award: \$25,000

Total Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ NA

Total Direct plus Indirect Costs over all years of award: \$ NA

Role on Project: Principal Investigator

C. Invited Lectures and Speaking:

1. Panelist, *Data Use in Maternal Mortality Review Commissions*. Saving Lives: A Data-Driven Summit to Improve Maternal Health hosted by MITRE and March of Dimes, November 2021.
2. Guest Lecturer, *Integrating a Health Equity Framework for Health Professional Education: A Curricular Workshop*, Teaching For Inclusion and Equity Series. School of Medicine, Georgetown University, October 2021.
3. Invited Speaker, *Racism and Maternal Health Disparities*, Howard University, Washington, DC, March 2019
4. CEU Presenter, *Understanding Health Disparities: Racism, Toxic Stress, and Structural Inequality*, Women's Health Symposium, Local DC ACNM Affiliate, Washington D.C., April 2018.
5. Podium Presentation, *Global Midwifery*, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing Midwifery Week, Baltimore, Maryland, October 2016
6. Invited Speaker, *Midwifery Care of Refugee and Immigrant Populations*, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies, Global Women in Leadership Celebrating International Women's Day, March 2016
7. Invited Speaker, *Humanitarian Aid – Working with Doctors Without Borders*, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, Baltimore, Maryland, 2013

D. Editorships, Editorial Boards, and Reviewing Activities

i. Ad Hoc Journal Reviews

Health Equity

SAGE One Medical

ii. Grant Reviews – NA

iii. Abstract Reviews

1. American College of Nurse Midwives Annual Meeting: 2019, 2021.

3. TEACHING, MENTORING, AND ADVISING

A. Teaching Activities

i. Courses Taught

Name and Course Number	Role	Number of Direct Contact Hours	Year(s) Taught	Number of Students	Overall Evaluation Score (5 max score)
NURO 721 – Integrated Midwifery Care of Women	Course Coordinator and Instructor	2	Fall 2020	12	TBD
			Summer 2020	12	5
			Spring 2020	15	5
			Summer 2019	10	4
NURO 722 – Full Scope Midwifery Care II	Instructor	4	Fall 2020	35	TBD
			Summer 2020	12	NA
			Summer 2019	25	NA
NURO 733 – Advanced Women’s Health Care Seminar	Instructor	2	Fall 2017	10	Not Calculated
			Summer 2017	18	Not Calculated
			Spring 2017	9	Not Calculated
NURO 510 – Intro to Women’s Reproductive Health	Instructor	3	Spring 2017	10	Not Calculated
			Fall 2016	9	Not Calculated
NURO 540 – Evidence Based Practice and Research	Instructor	3	Spring 2017	12	Not Calculated
NURO 671 – Reproductive Health Care II	Instructor	3	Summer 2016	10	Not Calculated
NURO 710 – Families in Crisis	Instructor	1	Spring 2016	9	Not Calculated
			Spring 2014	25	4.75, 4.8
			(x2 sections)	34	5, 4.5, 4.75

			Fall 2013 (x3 sections)		
NURO 675 – Reproductive Healthcare of Women II	Instructor	3	Fall 2013	9	5
NURO 502 – Primary Care of Women	Instructor	2	Summer 2013	8	5

Not calculated occurred during terms where too few students responded.

ii. Teaching Recognition/Awards

Innovation in Education Award, May 2021

Nurse-Midwifery/ WHNP Program, Department of Advanced Nursing Practice, School of Nursing and Health Studies, Georgetown University

B. Mentoring

Mentor: Christina Marea

Mentee: Katie DePalma

Dates of Mentorship: May 2013 – January 2021

Outcomes: Board Certification as CNM/ WHNP, Instructor at Georgetown University, Course Coordinator for Integrated Midwifery Care, Curriculum Development – Gender-Affirming Healthcare, Anti-Racist Practice, Weight Stigma in Clinical Practice

C. Advising

Advisee: Juandria Nicole Montgomery

Program: DNP Candidacy

Institution: Georgetown University, School of Nursing and Health Studies

Project Title: Impact of an online education intervention on health care provider self-efficacy for assessment and care of clients Experiencing Female Sexual Dysfunction

Outcomes:

Advisee: Yara Bazzoun

Program: Medical Resident, Masters of Public Health

Institution: University Hospital, Geneva

Project Title: Knowledge, attitude, and practice of Swiss and Swedish health professionals towards women and girls with or at risk of female genital mutilation/cutting

Outcomes: Validated survey of knowledge, attitudes, practice; 3 manuscripts currently in progress

4. SERVICE

A. University Service:

i. Department

Member, Nursing Structure Ad-Hoc Group, 2020
Georgetown University, School of Nursing and Health Studies

Member, Task Force on Philosophy, Mission and Vision
Nurse Midwifery and Women's Health Nurse Practitioner Program
Department of Advanced Practice Nursing
Georgetown University, School of Nursing and Health Studies

ii. School

Member, Dean Search Committee, 2021
Georgetown University, School of Nursing and Health Studies

iii. University

Senator, Faculty Senate, 2021-2024
Georgetown University

iv. Georgetown University Medical Center (GUMC)

Member, GUMC Faculty Caucus, 2021-2024
Georgetown University

B. Professional Service:

Co-Chair, Washington DC Maternal Mortality Review Commission
June 2019 – Present
Chair, Education Committee, Division of Global Engagement, ACNM
June 2021 – Present
Member, Maternal Health Advisory Group, Washington D.C. Dept. of Health Care Finance
January 2022 - Present

5. HONORS AND AWARDS

Awards	Institution/Location	Years
CENTILE Lead Fellow	Georgetown University Medical Center	2021 - 2022

Fellow	Better Selves Fellowship	2017
Professional Development Award	Johns Hopkins University, School of Nursing	2017
TL1 Trainee Award, Predoctoral Clinical Research Training Program	Johns Hopkins Institute for Clinical and Translational Research	2015 – 2016
T32 Predoctoral Training Grant for Study of Violence, Fellow,	Jacquelyn Campbell, PI, NINR, NIH, T32 HDO64428, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing	2013 – 2015
Rotary World Peace Fellow	Rotary Foundation, University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, UK	2017
Sigma Theta Tau – Delta Mu Chapter	Yale University	2018

6. PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Dates (in Years) of Membership Society Name, Leadership Role (if appropriate)

1. 2010 – Present; ACNM, Local Chapter Washington, DC
2. 2018 – Present; Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, Nu Beta Chapter
3. 2016 – Present; National League of Nursing
4. 2021 – Present; International Society of Global Health
5. 2020 – Present; National Association of Hispanic Nurses

I certify that this curriculum vitae is a current and accurate statement of my professional record.

Signature: 

Date: February 2, 2022



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments

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Dr. Christina Marea



Dr. Marea is a Nurse-Midwife practicing at Community of Hope in Washington DC, and an Instructor of Midwifery and Women's Health at Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies.

Dr. Marea's clinical practice in midwifery has focused on underserved populations both in the US and abroad, including adolescents, under/un-insured women, immigrants, and low-income communities. Dr. Marea's international work includes volunteering with Doctors Without Borders in South Sudan, and research on the reproductive health of women affected by violent conflict in Guatemala, Sierra Leone, Syria, and Somali-refugees in Kenya.

Dr. Marea's overarching career focus is to reduce disparities in reproductive health outcomes for vulnerable populations, particularly maternal morbidity and mortality. She seeks to increase the capacity of reproductive health care providers to provide excellent care through interventions to improve and maintain high quality health care services. Her academic training, research experience, and clinical practice as a nurse-midwife provide her an excellent background for understanding the profound challenges faced by vulnerable women and those who care for them.

A Ward 6 resident, Dr. Marea received her Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, a Masters in Conflict Resolution from the University of Bradford and a Master of Science in Nursing from Yale University.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Bryan Hum, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'.

Elizabeth Cavendish