

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2021 Legislative Session

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RESOLUTION NO. 100 - 2021

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Anthony Carroll Wisniewski, Esquire, to the Board of Health.

Introduced and read first time on June 7, 2021.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on June 21, 2021.

By order Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted Adopted with amendments __, Failed __, Withdrawn __ by the County Council on July 6, 2021.

Certified by Michelle Harrod
Michelle Harrod, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

Professional Bio for Anthony C. Wisniewski, Esq.

Nominee for General Public Member to the Howard County Board of Health

Anthony C. Wisniewski, Esq. is the Chairman of the Board for Livanta LLC, headquartered in Annapolis Junction, Howard County, Maryland. Livanta is the nation's largest Medicare quality improvement organization, overseeing Medicare claims and quality of care complaints for approximately 70% of America's Medicare beneficiaries. Mr. Wisniewski's cumulative responsibilities at Livanta have included oversight for operations and strategic initiatives, legal affairs, compliance, new business development, and project management on federal and state government contracts within specific areas of expertise such as quality reporting. Further, Mr. Wisniewski championed the rollout of Livanta's CMS-awarded, Patient and Family Engagement Programs. These programs provide higher quality of care outcomes, and peace-of-mind, to patients and their loved ones.

Prior to Livanta, Mr. Wisniewski led its sister company, Advanta Government Services, LLC, by winning the largest bid in the State of Maryland's history to support the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC). This ongoing work with the MHCC integrates hospital, nursing home, home health agency, hospice, ambulatory surgery center and physician practice measures into data repositories, while using data analytics to generate assessment reports on Maryland health care quality improvements.

Previously, Mr. Wisniewski served as a senior vice president at the health care accreditor, URAC, leading operations, legal affairs, and strategic development. He led the drafting of and successfully lobbying into law landmark health reform legislation: Section 1311 of PPACA on accreditation of health insurance exchanges. Prior to URAC, Mr. Wisniewski served as executive director for health policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, overseeing Chamber health policy and advocating those policies before Congress and the federal agencies. Just prior to joining Livanta full time, Mr. Wisniewski served as the president and chief executive officer of CAHME, the accreditor of graduate-level health care management education.

Mr. Wisniewski has served with distinction on numerous federal and state health care boards and commissions. Most recently, from 2016-2020, he served a two-term, Gubernatorial appointment (with Maryland Senate confirmation) as a Commissioner of the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC). While at CHRC, Mr. Wisniewski led a strategic pivot to prioritize health care grant funding for "food deserts" in West Baltimore and other urban areas. This initiative originated from his serving as a state military officer during the unforgettable Baltimore Riot of 2015, witnessing first-hand the call for assistance projected by many urban residents in need of targeted state health care services.

Earlier, Mr. Wisniewski was appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) National Advisory Council. Within the State of Maryland, Mr. Wisniewski also served on the University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute Board of Visitors. He is admitted to the bars of both Maryland and Washington, D.C. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Notre Dame and a Bachelor of Arts from the Catholic University of America.

Mr. Wisniewski's Maryland military decorations include: the Maryland Meritorious Service Medal with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster; the Maryland Commendation Medal; and the Maryland State Service Ribbon.