

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)  
GMCB Board Hearing Minutes  
Thursday, November 16, 2017  
1:00 PM

**Attendance**

Kevin J. Mullin, Chair  
Susan Barrett, Executive Director  
Michael Barber, Esq., Hearing Officer  
Jessica A. Holmes, PhD  
Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS  
Maureen Usifer  
Tom Pelham

**Minutes**

The Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes from November 9, 2017.

**Executive Directors Report**

Susan notified the Board there would be no meeting on Thursday, November 23, 2017.

**ACO Budget Analysis**

Andy Pallito, Director of Health System Finances, GMCB  
Melissa Miles, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB  
Kelly Theroux, HealthCare Systems Finance Analyst, GMCB  
Todd Moore, CEO, OneCare Vermont  
Thomas Borys, Director of ACO Finance and Analysis, OneCare Vermont  
Jackie Lee, FSA, MAAA, VP and Principal, L&E Actuaries and Consulting

Melissa Miles reviewed the timeline of the analysis of OneCare's budget and the correspondence between GMCB and OneCare. Kelly Theroux discussed the Board's analysis of the answers from OneCare. Jackie Lee offered some comments and questions regarding the budget. Melissa reviewed upcoming Board meeting dates discussing the Accountable Care Organization and All-Payer Model agreement. For more information, please click [here](#). Todd Moore updated the Board on current contracts and deadlines. The Board asked various questions to Todd and Thomas regarding OneCare contracts and their budget. For more information, please click [here](#) and [here](#).

**Hospital Budgets 2019**

Andy Pallito, Director of Health System Finances, GMCB  
Melissa Miles, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB

Kelly Theroux, HealthCare Systems Finance Analyst, GMCB

Andy Pallito provided an overview of the hospital budget 2019 process. For more information, please click [here](#). A public comment period during a December Board meeting will be scheduled to take comment on the budget process.

### **CON Statute Discussion**

Marisa Melamed, Health Policy Advisor, GMCB  
Kate O'Neill, Payment Reform Evaluator, GMCB

Kate and Marisa updated the Board on the Legislative Stakeholder process, the Health Resource Allocation Plan (HRAP) and Certificate of Need (CON) proposals. For more information, please click [here](#).

### **Public Comment**

Susan Aranoff  
Dale Hackett  
Ken Libertoff  
Mike Fisher, Chief Health Care Advocate

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

Kevin Mullin addressed the public concern that there is not sufficient clinical expertise on the Board when making decisions. There have been two Board members with clinical experience in the past but none now. Due to this issue, the Primary Care Advisory Group may alter their mission to be used as an Advisory Group, if the legislature approves this change. Kevin proposed the idea for GMCB to collaborate with the Department of Financial Regulation, Department of Vermont Health Access, the Health Care Advocate and insurers to look for creative ways to hold down the insurance rate impact for Vermonters. Kevin also proposed for the Board to come up with ideas on how the GMCB can make better data-driven decisions for the data team to consider when reporting.

Robin Lunge discussed the Community Health Needs Assessment and working with the Department of Health. She also brought up potential legislation regarding expenditure analysis in the Unified Health Care budget. GMCB should draft possible revisions to update the analysis to coincide with the Board.

### **Executive Session**

The Board voted (5-0) to go into Executive Session to discuss the GMCB proposed budget.

### **Adjourn**

The Board voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 4:15 pm.