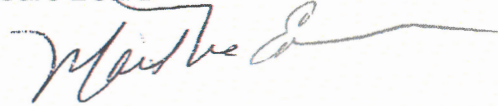


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To: Al Gobeille, Chair, Green Mountain Care Board

From: Martha Maksym, Executive Director



Re: Burlington Labs Certificate of Need

Date: August 24, 2016

I am writing to ask for your support of the Certificate of Need request before you today from Burlington Labs. Burlington Labs is an important partner in the Vermont treatment community and is a valuable resource to us in the fight against opiate addiction. I am concerned that without this resource, our efforts to provide comprehensive treatment to opiate addicts, as well as people experiencing other substance addictions will be severely hindered.

Burlington Labs is also a critical partner in the community in employing over 150 people, many of who are in recovery. There are few employers willing to employ individuals with addictions and often criminal backgrounds. Burlington Labs has been a beacon for many to help them get back on their feet and to lead productive lives in our communities.

Thank you for your consideration.



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