GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

GMCB Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 21, 2018 2:00 pm

<u>Attendance</u>

Kevin J. Mullin, Chair Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director Judy Henkin, General Counsel Jessica A. Holmes, PhD Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS Tom Pelham

Executive Director's Report

Kevin Mullin, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm. Susan Barrett, Executive Director, announced there will be an additional Board meeting on the 26th of February to discuss VITL. For more information please visit our website here.

Minutes

The Board voted (4-0) to approve the minutes from February 14, 2018.

S.175 Opportunities for a Bulk Purchasing Program

Jeff Hochberg, Rutland Pharmacy Christian Herrington, Corporate VT, Pharmacy Strategies, H.D. Smith Venture Rx Trish Riley, Executive Director, NASHP

Susan Barret started the discussion on S.175 with some background information. Jeff Hochberg and Christian Herrington presented the Board with opportunities for Vermont pharmaceutical distribution. They provided information on the current drug supply chain, the current revenue path, and the streamlined approach to drug distribution reform. Jeff reviewed the potential for savings if Vermont implemented S.175 and the details of the plan. For more information, please click here. Trish Riley discussed the pharmacy pricing workgroup and provided comments on a possible state importation program.

Hospital Budget Update: 2017 Actuals & FY19 Budget Guidance

Andy Pallito, Director of Health Systems Finance, GMCB

Andy reviewed the 2017 Actuals and reminded the Board of the schedule moving forward from February 21, 2018 through May 2018 regarding FY19 budget guidance. For more information, please click here.

Old Business

None

New Business

Susan Barrett discussed a bill introduced by the House Health Care Committee. The bill proposes to require the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) and Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL) to submit to the General Assembly a work plan and reports regarding their improvements to health information technology and health information exchange in Vermont. The Chair of House Health Care asked for the Board's input on the bill.

Adjourn

The Board voted (4-0) to adjourn at approximately 3:45 pm.