

**STATE OF VERMONT  
GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD**

In re: Application of the University of Vermont Medical )  
Center to Replace a CT Scanner and Construct a ) GMCB-012-22con  
Mobile Pad Addition to the Essex Primary Care )  
Facility )  
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**CERTIFICATE OF NEED**

In accordance with Title 18, Chapter 221, Subchapter 5, other applicable laws, and the Statement of Decision and Order in this matter, the Green Mountain Care Board issues this certificate of need to the University of Vermont Medical Center (UVMCM or “the Applicant”), subject to the conditions set forth below.

**Project Description and Scope**

The project involves the replacement of a Computed Tomography (CT) scanner located in McClure Level 1, Room 1079, CT Room 2, and the completion of associated renovations at UVMCM’s main campus, as well as the construction of an addition to house a mobile pad, storage/prep room and changing space at the Essex Primary Care facility. UVMCM will also rent a mobile CT trailer unit to be housed in the new addition for one year, for \$69,000, during the installation of the new Spectral CT scanner (“the project”) on its main campus. The mobile pad will also be available in the future to accommodate a mobile CT, MRI or PET/CT unit to provide short-term, temporary capacity during future equipment replacements. The total cost of the project is \$3,456,928.

The project is outlined in greater detail in the Statement of Decision and Order in this docket, incorporated herein and issued today by the Board.

**Project Conditions**

The project as proposed, subject to the following conditions, meets the statutory criteria set forth in 18 V.S.A. § 9437:

1. The applicant shall develop and operate the project in strict compliance with its scope as described in the application, in other materials in the record submitted by the Applicant, and in strict conformance with the Statement of Decision and Order issued today in this docket. This certificate of need is limited to the project and activities described therein.
2. Throughout the project’s implementation period, the applicant shall comply with all current and future financial caps, targets and other conditions imposed by the Board in its hospital budget instructions, guidance, and orders.

3. The applicant shall not increase its commercial effective rates or overall change in charges to fund any expenses related to the project.
4. Noncompliance with any provision of this certificate of need or with applicable ordinances, rules, laws and regulations constitutes a violation of this certificate of need and may be cause for enforcement action pursuant to 18 V.S.A. §§ 9445, 9374(i), (j), and any other applicable law.
5. The project shall be fully implemented within two (2) years of the date of issuance of this certificate of need.
6. The applicant shall provide in a table format, the charge and the actual average Commercial reimbursement for each of the five highest volume imaging areas beginning with the CY21 and for each six-month reporting period thereafter.
7. The Applicant shall file implementation reports with the Board beginning six months from the date of this certificate of need and at six-month intervals thereafter until all components and phases of the project are complete and fully operational and all invoices have been received and paid. The implementation reports shall include the following:
  - a. an overview of the project, including any changes in financing, and information and analysis demonstrating that the project fully complies with its scope as approved in this certificate of need;
  - b. documentation verifying the specific sources, including reserves, to be used to finance this project including the source of funds and dollar amount associated with each that equal the total project cost;
  - c. a spreadsheet separately listing each individual line-item expenditure and, for each expenditure: 1) the total dollar amount approved by the Board; 2) the dollar amount spent through previous reporting periods; 3) the dollar amount spent during this reporting period; 4) the cumulative dollar amount spent to date; 5) the amount remaining in dollars, and 6) the amount remaining as a percentage.
8. This certificate of need is not transferable or assignable and is issued only for the premises and entity named in the application.
9. If the Applicant contemplates or becomes aware of a nonmaterial change, as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 9432(12), or a material change as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 9432(11), to the scope or cost of the project described in its application and as designated in this certificate of need, the Applicant shall file a notice of such change immediately with the Board. The Board shall thereafter advise the applicant whether the proposed change is subject to additional review.

10. The Board may, after the Applicant is provided notice and an opportunity to be heard, make such further orders as are necessary or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this certificate of need and to ensure compliance with its terms and conditions.
11. All reports, notices, forms, information, or submissions of any kind required to be submitted to the Board as a condition of this certificate of need shall be signed and verified by the Applicant's chief executive officer, or by his or her designated representative.
12. The conditions contained in this certificate of need shall remain in effect for the duration of the reporting period set forth in Condition 7, above.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: May 1, 2023, at Montpelier, Vermont.

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s/ Owen Foster, Chair )

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s/ Jessica Holmes )

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s/ Robin Lunge )

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s/ Thom Walsh )

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s/ David Murman )

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Filed: May 1, 2023

Attest: /s/ Jean Stetter, Administrative Services Director