

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
1:00 PM

This board meeting was conducted via MS Teams.

Attendance

Board Members present

Jessica Holmes, PhD

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS

Dave Murman, MD

Thom Walsh, Ph.D, MS, MSPT

Call to Order

Chair Foster was unable to attend today's meeting. Board Member Lunge conducted the meeting in his place and called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Minutes from May 29, 2024, were approved 4-0.

Executive Director's Report

Susan Barrett provided an update on our public comment periods as outlined on our website.

- The Board is accepting public comment on GMCB's [FY25 Medicare-Only ACO Budget Guidance](#). Public comment will be accepted **until noon on Wednesday, June 19, 2024**.
- The Board is accepting public comment on [OneCare Vermont's 2025 Rick Mitigation Plan](#). This will be presented at the June 12, 2024, Board Meeting. Comments will be accepted **until noon on Monday, June 17, 2024**.
- GMCB received [a response from OneCare Vermont](#) in response to the Explanation of Deficiency and Proposal for Remedial Action letter sent to the ACO on May 10th. The Board is accepting public comment on the ACO's response **until noon on Thursday, June 20, 2024**.
- The first round of meetings for [community engagement to support hospital transformation](#) wrapped up in November 2023. A second round of in-person meetings is planned for spring 2024. To receive an email when the schedule is posted, please [sign up here](#). The Board is continuing to accept public comment on this work.
- The Board continues to encourage its advisory committees and the public to provide written comment to inform a **potential future All Payer Model Agreement with the State of Vermont** (Governor, AHS, and GMCB) and CMS. Special comments can be submitted at any time and are shared with the All-Payer Model Signatories: the Governor's Office, the Agency of Human Services, and the Green Mountain Care Board.

Presentations

VITL Annual Budget – GMCB Staff presentation

Jessica Mendizabal, Director of Data Management Analytics & Data Integrity, GMCB

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Board Discussion

Staff recommendation:

Staff recommend approving the VITL FY2025 budget as presented, with the following condition(s):

- *In addition to reporting requirements outlined in the budget guidance, quarterly reporting should continue to include updates on:*
 - *VITL's strategic planning process and progress including work to design a future financial model that would diversify revenue sources;*
 - *Key projects including patient education and consent, expanding the data available in the VHIE;*
- *VITL will comply with mid-year budget update requirements as described in the Board's Annual Budget Guidance.*

MOTION

Member Lunge made the following motion:

"I move to approve VITL's FY2025 budget as submitted to the GMCB, subject to the conditions presented by staff and modified to change the reporting requirements every 6 months instead of quarterly."

The motion was seconded by Member Holmes and approved 4-0.

(Chair Foster was not present at the meeting.)

HCA Comment

Sam Peisch

Public Comment

None

The Board took a short break from 1:30-2:00pm.

Court Reporter Maggie Estevez joined the meeting to transcribe the remainder of the meeting.

Hearing: OneCare Vermont ACO

Michelle Sawyer, Health Policy Project Director

Mark Hengstler, Staff Attorney, GMCB

Tom Borys, CFO, OneCare Vermont

Abe Berman, CEO, OneCare Vermont

Michelle Sawyer provided an overview of the hearing process and Mark Hengstler conducted the swearing in of witnesses – Abe Berman and Tom Borys from OneCare Vermont.

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Public Comment

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Old Business

New Business

Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 2:26pm

UNAPPROVED

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