

# GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)

## Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

1:00 PM

### Attendance

#### *Board Members present*

Owen Foster, JD, Board Chair

Jessica Holmes, PhD

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS

Dave Murman, MD

Thom Walsh, Ph.D, MS, MSPT

### Call to Order

Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

00:13:35

Minutes from May 22, 2024, were approved unanimously.

### Executive Director's Report

00:14:06

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

- The Board is accepting public comment on the VITL Annual Budget as presented by VITL on May 29, 2024. Comments will be accepted **until noon on Tuesday, June 11, 2024**.
- The Board is accepting public comment on the Draft VT Global Payment Methods paper. Comments can be submitted using our Public Comment Form **through noon on Tuesday, June 4th**.
- The Board is accepting public comment on the UVMMC Outpatient Surgery Center Certificate of Need application **until noon on Thursday, May 30, 2024**. All comments can be submitted via our [Public Comment Form](#).
- The Board is accepting public comment on proposed revisions to the reporting manual for Vermont's All-Payer Claims Database, the Vermont Health Care Uniform Reporting and Evaluation System (VHCURES), **through May 31, 2024**. The proposed revised draft can be accessed [here](#).
- 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 July 2024. To receive an email when the schedule is posted, please [sign up here](#). The Board continues 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 (AHEAD) with the State of Vermont (Governor, AHS, and GMCB) and CMS. 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

(video timestamp)

#### VITL FY25 Annual Budget Presentation

00:17:36

Beth Anderson, President and Chief Executive Officer, VITL

Cara Callanan, Chief Financial Officer, VITL

Maurine Gilbert, Director of Client Engagement, VITL

*This meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams.*

*A recording of this meeting will be available on the [GMCB YouTube Channel](#).*

Kristina Choquette, Director of Operations, VITL  
Sue Fritz, Director of Technology, VITL

[Slides for this presentation can be found here.](#)

**Board Discussion** 00:51:23

**HCA Comment** 01:06:40  
Eric Schultheis

**Public Comment**  
None

**OneCare FY25 Budget Guidance - Staff Presentation - Potential Vote** 01:10:30

Michelle Sawyer, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB  
Mark Hengstler, Staff Attorney, GMCB

[Slides for this presentation can be found here.](#)

**Board Discussion** 01:20:00

**HCA Comment** 01:22:00  
None

**Public Comment**  
Tom Borys, CFO, OneCare Vermont

**MOTION**

Chair Foster made the following motion:

*“I move to approve the OneCare Vermont FY25 budget guidance presented today by GMCB staff.”*

The motion was seconded by Member Holmes and was **approved unanimously**.

**Amendment to OneCare's FY24 Budget Order - Potential Vote** 01:24:26

Michelle Sawyer, Health Policy Project Director, GMCB  
Mark Hengstler, Staff Attorney, GMCB

[Slides from last week's presentation can be found here.](#)

**Board Discussion** 01:29:34

Chair Foster invited Tom Borys from OneCare into the Board Discussion. 01:30:50

Member Holmes suggested the **highlighted language** to Option 2 of Motion #1.

**HCA Comment**

01:36:13

Sam Peisch noted the HCA's support of Member Holmes addition to the motion language.

**Public Comment**

01:36:28

Walter Carpenter  
Abe Berman, OCV

**MOTION #1**

01:46:45

Chair Foster made the following motion:

*"I move that the Board amend the OneCare Vermont FY24 Budget Order by ordering OneCare to prospectively include in its contracts with hospital providers contract language **demonstrating how the hospital uses all funds** received from OneCare for primary care investment to enhance primary care initiatives, which otherwise would not be funded to the same extent."*

**The motion was seconded by Member Holmes and was approved unanimously.**

**MOTION #2** – board members agreed to drop Motion #2 as presented by Mark Hengstler, GMCB Staff Attorney.

**Old Business** - None

**New Business** - None

**Adjourn** - The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 pm.