

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.