

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)  
GMCB Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 13, 2022  
1:00 pm

**Attendance**

Kevin J. Mullin, Chair (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
Michael Barber, General Counsel (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
Jessica Holmes, PhD (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
Tom Pelham (*Absent*)  
Thom Walsh, PhD, MS, MSPT (*via Microsoft Teams*)

**Executive Director's Report**

Chair Mullin called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm. Susan Barrett announced we had received a written response from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMMI) regarding the Vermont request for a one-year extension to the All-Payer Model. The letter is posted [here](#) on the GMCB website. Susan Barrett reviewed [the open special comment periods on the GMCB website](#).

**Minutes**

The Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes from April 6, 2022 and April 8, 2022.

**MVP Health Care Non-Standard Plan Changes – Potential Vote**

Christine Smith, Professional, Commercial Product Strategy and Design, MVP  
Laura McAlonen, Professional, Commercial Product Strategy and Design, MVP

Christine Smith reviewed the Qualified Health Plans (QHP) products and the portfolio of the non-standard plans. Christine Smith stated that the Bronze 5 plan is the plan that is highlighted in the presentation, reviewed why this is subject to GMCB review, and the GMCB evaluation criteria. Christine Smith presented the plan design changes including changing the deductible and the out-of-pocket max, which would decrease the premium by approximately 4.07%. Christine Smith stated that this proposal adds value to the Vermont market and that the new plan design would not negatively impact most of the bronze members.

The Board Members asked questions about the impact of raising the deductible and the co-pays for preventative services that do not go toward a deductible.

Board Member Lunge moved to approve the plan design changes to the MVP Health Care Bronze 5 QHP. Board Member Walsh seconded the motion. The Board voted (4-0) to approve the motion.

**Public Comment**

Eric Schultheis, Staff Attorney, Office of the Health Care Advocate, Vermont Legal Aid  
Walter Carpenter, Health Care Advocate

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Adjourn**

The Board voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 1:25 pm.