

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)  
GMCB Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 20, 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 (*via Microsoft Teams*)  
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 that the Primary Care Advisory Group (PCAG) meeting was canceled and the next one would be in May. Susan Barrett announced that a Board Meeting was added to the schedule for April 27, 2022 at 9:00 am. Susan Barrett reviewed [the open special comment periods on the GMCB website](#).

**Minutes**

The Board voted (5-0) to approve the minutes from April 13, 2022.

**Dartmouth Leadership Preventive Medicine Residents (LPMR) Clinical Perspective on Hospital Sustainability and Updates on Health Equity**

Dr. J. Henry Feng, LPMR, Dartmouth  
Dr. Anais A. Ovalle, LPMR, Dartmouth

Dr. Henry Feng presented an overview of who the LPMR are and what their interests are and presented a scenario about who they care for. Dr. Henry Feng presented a scenario explaining the patients that are cared for, and a day-to-day in the life of a clinician, including what is seen and what happens behind the scenes. Dr. Henry Feng provided some comparisons for review, and which is better for the patient versus the bottom line. Dr. Henry Feng explained that there is work to be done when it comes to healthcare and understanding the patient population and their needs is immensely helpful.

Dr. Anais Ovalle presented an overview of what health equity means, how to achieve it, and what health inequity means in comparison. Dr. Anais Ovalle reviewed factors that determine health and social determinants of health and presented guidelines for measuring health equity. Dr. Anais Ovalle explained how to obtain granularity using race, ethnicity, and language (REal) data and social determinants of health. [The presentations can be seen here on the GMCB website](#).

The Board members asked questions about drivers to determine where a physician wants to work, how the training in medical schools should evolve to better address health equity, how to promote data driven social determinants of health, and how it was decided to specialize in internal medicine.

**Public Comment**

Dale Hackett, Health Care and Disability Rights Advocate  
Walter Carpenter, Health Care Advocate

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Adjourn**

The Board voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 2:25 pm.