

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD

Data Governance Council

October 5, 2021

2:00pm, via Microsoft Teams

Attendance (Voting Members)

Susan Barrett, Council Chair and Executive Director, GMCB

Tom Pelham, Board Member, GMCB

Cathy Fulton, Executive Director, VPQHC

Lauri Scharf, Manager of Informatics, Bi-State Primary Care Association

Sarah Kinsler, Director of Health Systems Policy, GMCB

Kristin McClure, Chief Data Officer, ADS (*appointed during this meeting*)

Jessie Hammond, Public Health Statistics Chief, VDH (*appointed during this meeting*)

Others Present

Kate O'Neill, GMCB

Sarah Lindberg, GMCB

Russ McCracken, GMCB

Michael Durkin, BCBSVT

Rebecca Copans, BCBSVT

Matt Griffith, VAHHS-NSO

Jennifer Kaulius, UVMHC

Beth Anderson, VITL

Maurine Gilbert, VITL

Carolyn Stone, VITL

Eric Schultheis, HCA

Call to Order, Chair's Report

Susan Barrett called the meeting to order at approximately 2:02 pm.

Susan announced that the GMCB is hiring for a Data and Reporting Project Manager.

Council Member Appointment Recommendation

Susan recommended Kristin McClure to fill the vacancy on the Council left by Mary Kate Mohlman.

Susan moved to appoint Kristin; Lauri seconded. The council voted (5-0) to appoint Kristin to the GMCB Data Governance Council.

Susan recommended Jessie Hammond to fill the vacancy on the Council left by Helen Reid.

Susan moved to appoint Jessie; Tom seconded. The council voted (5-0) to appoint Jessie to the GMCB Data Governance Council.

Approve August Meeting Minutes

The Council voted (5-0-2) to approve the minutes from August 3, 2021.

VITL Presentation

Maurine Gilbert and Carolyn Stone from Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL) presented information on the Vermont Health Information Exchange (VHIE), the collaborative service project and the Medicaid claims pilot. Tom asked if VITL has claims data associated with the QHP population at MVP and BCBS. Carolyn explained that in this pilot year, they only receive Medicaid claims, but they are also in discussions with commercial payers. She added that their focus now is on data governance. Tom is interested in this as it relates to benchmarking. Lauri asked about claims data sharing, and if VITL has the ability from a legal standpoint to make all data available to all providers in the VHIE. Carolyn said they do not, currently, and so claims data are not made available in the provider portal. Maurine added that they are also working to bring in data on social determinants of health. These new outside sources of data require governance and legal structures that VITL is working on, with support and guidance from the VHIE steering committee and AHS staff.

Presentations from Recent NAHDO Conference

Kate O'Neill shared the GMCB Data and Analytic Team's presentations that were presented at the NAHDO conference in late September 2021.

Public Comment

None.

New Business

None.

Adjourn

The Council voted (6-0) to adjourn at approximately 3:32pm.

Next meeting is Tuesday December 7, 2021. This will be a virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams, although a conference room at 144 State Street in Montpelier will also be available for anyone wanting to attend in person.