

**GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)
General Advisory Committee**

Meeting Notes

Monday, February 6, 2023

2:00 PM

This meeting was held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Attendance

Board Members

Owen Foster, Board Chair

Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director

Jessica Holmes, PhD

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS

David Murman, MD

Thom Walsh, PhD, MS, MSPT

General Advisory Committee (GAC) Members

Allison Ebrahimi-Gold

Cathy Fulton

David Sichel

Liz Hunt

Hillary Wolfley

Jeff McKee

John Macy

Sharon Gutwin

Walter Carpenter

Call to Order

GMCB Board Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 2pm.

Welcome & Introductions

Executive Director, Susan Barrett, welcomed the committee to the first 2023 GAC meeting and provided introductions of new GMCB Board Members, GMCB staff, and new GAC member Liz Hunt.

Susan also commented that GMCB will be reviewing the GAC member list over the next few weeks to update and/or replace members who have fallen off.

Presentations

2024 Standard Qualified Health Plan Design overview

- Laura Beliveau, Staff Attorney, GMCB
- DVHA's slides will be posted to [our website](#) and a recording of the meeting will be available on the [ORCA Media website](#). Please share any comments with the Board either in this

meeting or in writing before the February 8 Board Meeting. ([Public Comment Form](#))

Hospital Sustainability and Act 167 Update

- Susan Barrett, filling in for Sarah Kinsler, Director of Health Systems Policy, GMCB
- Robin Lunge, Board Member, GMCB
- Sarah Lindberg, Director of Health Systems Finances, GMCB

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

Committee Discussion

The following questions guided a robust discussion among all committee members.

- *What does a sustainable hospital look like?*
- *What steps should be taken to improve sustainability for hospitals and for non-hospitals?*
- *How do efforts to ensure sustainability of hospitals impact other care providers (Independent practices, PCPs, DAs, mental health, home health, and other health care providers)?*
- *What do you see as some of the most significant obstacles to achieving hospital sustainability?*
- *How do you improve sustainability without harming affordability?*
- *From your point of view, where should hospital transformation efforts focus to start?*

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

The committee unanimously approved the motion to adjourn at 3:40pm