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**Subject:** Public Comment: Hospital Budget 2023-08-21T18:46:11Z

A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Christine Cooke

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Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: I am a Phlebotomist at UVMHC. I am writing because we need Livable wage for all with appropriate wage increases for staff who have worked for the hospital for years. I've been watching as starting wages rise faster than established employees salaries increase. We're asking the board to consider ensuring that the UVM Medical Center prioritizes in our budget the most important resource; employees. We have been undervalued for too long.

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