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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Ciara Eagan

Affiliation: UVMMC

Town/City: Burlington, VT

Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: My name is Ciara Eagan, I work in the Children's Specialty Center as a medical assistant. We, support staff, need to be paid a livable wage, reflective of the work we do. Myself and my colleagues see upwards of 20 patients a day. We come early and stay late when we need to. We know our patients and we care for them immensely, putting our heart and souls into their care. But still, we are paid so little that at times I cannot afford groceries. I struggle to afford food, while working full time at our states level one trauma center. 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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