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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Comment: I am an Operations Support Specialist in the Neurology department at UVMMC. Many of our union cannot afford the hospital's healthcare. Over 90% are eligible for Medicaid. Please consider that as you receive a request for increased funds for Medicaid patients. So far we have brought articles to UVMMC's management bargaining team that have been thoughtful and fair. We've devised creative solutions to build equity such as a sliding scale insurance premium and incentives to retain and reward staff for the quality work we do. Please stand with us, the backbone of every aspect of patient care, and prioritize livable wages and healthcare equity.

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