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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Maisie Ogata

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Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: The Phlebotomy Department is chronically understaffed. We can't draw all of the stat orders on time which means POOR patient care and unsafe working conditions. Please tell management to allocate resources to local dedicated staff instead of paying traveling phlebotomists 3X what we make. I work in phlebotomy because I love my patients....but the hospital management makes working here and surviving impossible. Have them pay the front line and essential staff a living wage please. I am begging you on behalf of my struggling coworkers. Thank you for your time.

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