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**Subject:** Public Comment: Hospital Budget 2023-08-21T18:20:27Z

A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Shannon Ayotte

Affiliation:

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Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: My name is Shannon Ayotte and I am a MHT in the Emergency Dept at UVMMC. The staff in the ED are injured on a daily basis with no support. Patients are still bringing guns into the ED, as they are not getting found with the metal detector nor security wandering patients within the ambulance bay. We should be able to pay for health insurance and not have to choose between food for our children or gas to go to work for the week. 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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