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Comment: The cut to the budget at UVMHC is disappointing and I believe inappropriate. Resources are already lacking to provide appropriate care to our patients and what we lack in resources we make up with solid communication, organization, and sacrifice from myself and the other employees of the hospital. We routinely go above and beyond and stay later than we are expected to, to try and deliver care that the people of Vermont need. Since 2020 I have been here and working hard to make sure UVMHC is able to provide the standard of care to our state's citizens through COVID19, the cyber-attack, and a rapid increase in the medical complexity and illness of our patients over the last several years. I have hoped for quite some time that the day would come when UVMHC is able to stabilize financially we would be able to upgrade our hospital and equipment with modern technology that is currently lacking such as an ECMO program among other things as well as increase our capacity to decrease wait times. This feels like UVMHC is being punished for its efficiency and the sacrifices the staff has made.

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