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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: John Klick

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Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: I am a physician at UVMMC, the academic medical center that Vermont is so fortunate to have. UVMMC has an enormous catchment area, and for many people serves as the only available access point for advanced care. As an academic medical center, we provide not only advanced tertiary care that is not available anywhere else in the entire state, but we work to advance the field of medicine not only for Vermont but for the nation. As an academic medical center, we draw the best and brightest to our state to learn the art and science of medicine. This is all to provide the best care possible to our citizens. However, a lack of proper funding can cripple these missions and hamstring the development of innovative care projects. Please consider wisely the hospital budget for UVMMC. We are so fortunate to have it in our state. Only with a proper budget will we enable it to continue doing the critical work it does

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