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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Comment: I recently became a member of the Vermont community as my spouse and I both matched to the University of Vermont Medical Center for residency. While we have only been here for a short year, but we have seen the impact this medical center has across the state of Vermont and beyond. While we and our colleagues work diligently every day, we would not be able to provide the care we do without the funding provided by the Green Mountain Care Board. We are grateful for every cent supplied, but can only hope the board understands the impact of lowering the budget for this next fiscal year. From a hospital admission, discharge and transition of care, resources and support staff are required for high quality care to be provided to this region. I know physicians, nursing and all personnel within the UVM system will continue to work every day to provide this care and am optimistic the Green Mountain Care Board will see this as an opportunity for us to continue doing so by not lowering the University of Vermont Medical Center's budget for 2024 - 2025. Thank you for your time.

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