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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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**Topic:** Community Engagement: Hospital Sustainability and Act 167

**Comment:** It appears contradictory to cut essential services like obstetrics and pediatrics under the label of 'non-profitable,' while simultaneously advocating for a larger working-age population to fill insurance gaps for the elderly. What message does Vermont send to women and families about the safety and well-being of females and children when we reduce access to the very services they depend on?

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