

October 13, 2023

Green Mountain Care Board
114 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05602

Dear Green Mountain Care Board members:

I am writing to you as President and CEO of Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC) to offer support of OneCare Vermont's (OCV) proposed budget for fiscal year 2024. SVHC is aligned with OCV's focus on improved health outcomes, higher quality care, lower cost, and enhanced coordination of care. As you are aware, OCV is an organization of health care providers committed to the goal of facilitating Vermont's health care system transition to value based care. OCV continues to strive to transform our health care system as evidenced by a number of key initiatives in its 2024 budget submission including;

- Increasing the amount of risk providers are taking, which signals a deepening commitment to value-based care and migration from fee for service medicine
- Promoting innovations in primary care payment models that increase resources for advanced value based primary care
- Increasing the accountability of the provider network to improve quality and outcomes, while reducing the administrative burden
- Maintaining a low administrative cost structure compared to national benchmarks

In today's challenging healthcare environment, advancing value based care is a logical path forward. To do so requires dedication, talent, and an investment towards the future. Despite the challenges, I believe OCV is positioned to greatly facilitate healthcare reform in Vermont.

On behalf of Southwestern Vermont Health Care, I hope you will strongly consider OneCare Vermont's impact on the southern Vermont region, as well as the entire state of Vermont when reviewing their budget request for fiscal year 2024.

Thank you for your thoughtful review and consideration during this budget review process.

Sincerely,



Thomas A. Dee
President and CEO