

A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Town/City: St Albans

Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: My name is Todd Bauman and I am the CEO of Northwestern Counseling & Support Services. NMC is a pillar, and a strong partner, within our local system of care. Ensuring that they are fully staffed with trained personnel is vital to our community's health. NMC must be reimbursed for the actual expenses... Holding increases to an 8.6% cap will cause them to fall short of their ability to pay staff and purchase needed medical equipment. The national CPI alone is 8% with health care costs increasing beyond that. Investing in our health care system will allow us to help people stay well... which will then help to minimize even higher health care costs later. I encourage the GMCB to adopt a budget process, that allows our hospitals to build responsible budgets that meet the health care needs of our communities.

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