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**Topic:** Hospital Budget

**Comment:**

Dear Members of the Green Mountain Care Board,

As a trustee of both the UVM Medical Center (UVMHC) and UVM Health Network (UVMHN) I urge you to reconsider the FY24 budget request for all the UVMHN hospitals in Vermont and that of UVMHC, the academic medical center for the region. Our institutions have continued to provide health care to all in our region throughout the pandemic and despite the other considerable stresses on health care systems everywhere including the increasing cost of providing care and the increasing patient care needs. We recognize the need for improving efficiencies while maintaining quality and investing in the future needs of our patients and community. As trustees and volunteers, we take these responsibilities seriously. We are not seeking support for profit sharing, but our institutions need resources to accomplish our mission addressing the triple aims of health care: better patient outcomes, better patient experiences and lower per capita costs.

Thank you for your consideration of this critically important matter.

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