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A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Name: Ann Schroeder

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Topic: Accountable Care Organization

Comment: Dear GMCB, Please do not give permission to Vytalize Health (GMCB) for managing the health care of Medicare beneficiaries at two federally-qualified health centers-- the Mountain Community Health Center in Bristol and Little Rivers in Orange County. Permitting ACO-Reach programs will lead us down a slippery slope that threatens Medicare's solvency and seniors' health and health care choices. According to my research: In Traditional Medicare, 98% Revenue goes to Patient Care, 2% to Overhead. Medicare Advantage are worse in that 85% Revenue goes to Patient Care, 15% to Overhead and Profit. ACO-Reach Programs are really bad in that 60% Revenue goes to Patient Care, 40% to Overhead and Profit. In addition, patients who choose Traditional Medicare can be put into DCE/REACH plans without their knowledge or consent. Vermont is better than this. Please stop all organizations that try to implement these plans in Vermont. Thank you.

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