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Subject: Public Comment: Accountable Care Organization (ACO) 2023-12-01T00:35:18Z

A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

**Submit Time:** 12/1/2023 12:35:18 AM

Name: Jane Kolias

Affiliation: concerned Medicare recipient

Town/City: Putney

**Topic**: Accountable Care Organization

Comment: I am against private equity firms being inserted into the medical delivery system. Entities such as Vitalyze (ACO-REACH), are in business to maximize profits; NOT in the business of providing quality healthcare. I want my medical care to be determined by the provider of MY choice in collaboration with MYSELF making decisions about what is best for ME as we work towards the common goal of optimizing MY health...NOT optimizing investor profits. In addition, the lack of transparency regarding private equity operations is disturbing. Vermonters have a right to know who commands their most intimate healthcare determinations and their motives for doing so. I am all for exploring efficiencies, but inserting large profits into healthcare takes away the incentive and focus on, well, HEALTHCARE! I was also incredulous to learn that the comment time was so short. This truncated timeframe for comments does not allow for an adequate public education process and appears sneaky and underhanded.

Post Comment: Yes