A new GMCB Public Comment has been received.

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Topic: Hospital Budget

Comment: This year as we exit from the challenges of covid, we are faced with shortages in staffing and inflation. To that end the budgetary guidelines provided do not reflect the realities of need in our communities across the state. In a particularly rural area, the challenges are magnified in terms of access. The undue hardship that this places on our elderly residents is a considerable challenge. We strongly encourage that the budgetary guidelines reflect the reality of todays situation so that we do not encourage failure on the part of the healthcare system to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in our society.

Post Comment: Yes