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Kevin Mullin, Board Chair
Green Mountain Care Board
144 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05602

Dear Chair Mullin,

As the CEO of Gifford Health Care (a federally qualified health center) and Gifford Medical Center (a critical access hospital) I am writing in support of the OneCare Vermont (OneCare) proposed fiscal year 2022 operating budget submission currently under consideration by the Green Mountain Care Board (GMCB).

Gifford's entire team, including our volunteer governing Board, our senior leadership team, and our medical staff are actively engaged with our patients and partner organizations to transition from a fee-for-service to a value-based health system. The OneCare accountable care organization provides the network management, data and analytics that are necessary for us to succeed through this transition and they require the resources outlined in the budget submission to continue their supportive work.

Our health care team at Gifford is able to proactively provide outreach to aid our patients in managing chronic disease, and access resources that keep them healthier, while avoiding other preventable and more costly health care encounters. We depend on the data analytics and support provided by OneCare to continue these foundational population health activities.

I also serve on OneCare's Board of Managers (as a critical access hospital representative), and in that role, have the opportunity to assess their operational and financial needs. I am confident that the OneCare fiscal year 2022 budget submission is conservative and appropriate.

On behalf of Vermont's continued efforts to fulfill the goals of the All Payer Model, please consider supporting the OneCare fiscal year 2022 budget.

Sincerely,

Dan Bennett
President and CEO