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Accountable Care Organization

**Comment**

As usual, the 2022 OneCare Budget submission contains some hefty increases for OneCare executives. Without getting tangled up in the weeds of all the various percents, it makes me, and I'm sure a great many other Vermonters as well, wonder if our premium and tax dollars that are financing OneCare are going simply toward the well being of OneCare CEOs rather than to our well being. This is considering that OneCare adds an enormous amount of administrative expense on top of a system that already has an enormous amount of administrative expense, with the results of the problems of the wait times for us so duly chronicled in recent articles. Despite the heroic and laudable efforts of the GMCB that are, of course, under appreciated (though not by me) in attempting to implement OneCare, the ACO has not yet shown any or much improvement in either access, costs, or the quality for the health care of Vermonters for the millions we have so far spent on it. It's really time to evaluate whether OneCare ever will and that the money we spend on this administration will be better spent by going toward the health care of Vermonters.