

Green Mountain Care Board
General Advisory Committee Meeting
September 26, 2022 (2:00 – 4:00 pm)
This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

Advisory Committee Member Attendees	Alison Ebrahimi-Gold, Bob Bick, John Macy, Kathy Mahoney, Rick Dooley, Sharon Gutwin, David Sichel, Jason Garbarino, Jeff McKee
GMCB Attendees	Owen Foster, Robin Lunge, Thom Walsh, Jessica Holmes, David Murman, Susan Barrett, Laura Beliveau, Christina McLaughlin, Sarah Lindberg, Russ McCracken, Julia Boles
Other Attendees	Jennifer Kaulius, Rebecca Copans, Cathy Fulton, Erika Wolfing, Amanda Hepler, Jessa Barnard, Charles Becker

1. Recent GMCB Work
 - a. Susan Barrett, Christina McLaughlin, Robin Lunge, and Sarah Lindberg shared updates on the Board’s recent work regarding rate review, the all-payer model agreement, hospital sustainability, and hospital budgets. Christina McLaughlin provided an overview of the 2023 individual & small group decisions, noting the federal government extended the premium tax credits through plan year 2025. Robin Lunge and Susan Barrett shared an overview of the hospital sustainability work with the Agency of Human Services, including the community & provider engagement, and an update on the all-payer model extension and potential future agreement. Sarah Lindberg reviewed the fiscal year 2023 hospital budgets, noting many Vermont hospitals are facing financial difficulties driven by workforce/labor costs and inflationary costs. The Board is also working to enhancing its hospital budget regulatory process. More information can be found [here](#).
2. Discussion on Enhancing the Hospital Budget Process
 - a. Advisory Group members provided feedback on the discussion question on slide 7: As the GMCB considers its regulatory oversight, what recommendations does the group have? More information on the current hospital budget request for proposal (RFP) can be found [here](#). Advisory Group members recommended the Board compares its process to what other states are doing, consider the infrastructure and services in each area of Vermont, the struggle with cost containment, and more. Advisory Group members are asked to email Christina McLaughlin (christina.mclaughlin@vermont.gov) with additional feedback.
3. Public Comment
 - a. No public comment
4. Adjourn
 - a. The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 pm.