

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)
GMCB Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 18, 2019
1:00 pm

Attendance

Kevin J. Mullin, Chair
Susan J. Barrett, JD, Executive Director
Michael Barber, General Counsel
Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS – *not present*
Maureen Usifer
Jessica Holmes, PhD
Tom Pelham

Executive Director's Report

Chair Kevin Mullin called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm. Susan Barrett announced the Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 25 at 1:00 pm in the Pavilion Auditorium, 109 State St, Montpelier, will be about the Vermont Health Care Uniform Reporting and Evaluation System (VHCURES). During the meeting, three presenters will speak about how they used the VHCURES claims data for studies and research to understand and improve health care. On Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 1:00 pm in the Pavilion Auditorium, there will be a panel discussion: An Update on Health Care Workforce Solutions. The hospital budget decisions were finalized and posted [here](#) on the GMCB website, and the orders will be released by September 30, 2019.

Minutes

The Board voted (4-0) to approve the minutes from September 9, 2019 and September 11, 2019.

UVM Milestone Report on Investments Towards Increasing Mental Health Capacity

Anna Noonan, RN, BSN, MS, President and COO, Central Vermont Medical Center
Jim Alvarez, Vice President, Support Services, Central Vermont Medical Center

Anna Noonan reviewed the psychiatric inpatient facility planning by UVM Health Network (UVMHN) on the Central Vermont Medical Center Campus and the aim statement for the psychiatric inpatient capacity (PIC). UVMHN is currently in Phase II of design and operational requirements and doing the schematic design, financial impact, clinical operational planning, and certificate of need (CON) outreach planning steps in parallel. Anna Noonan discussed the recommended 25 additional inpatient beds to be added which will give CVMC a total of 40 once completed. The beds are allocated by tiers (behavioral health characteristics), tier one being the most care needed and three the least. The operational plan, staffing plan, and space table are all under way and are part of the schematic design.

Anna Noonan presented the site location guiding principles including stakeholder input. Jim Alvarez discussed the three options that best fit with the location requirements for the psychiatric inpatient facility, and site B was chosen. Anna Noonan discussed that they are moving forward with the plan without tearing down the Mountain View medical office building they had originally planned on, so it will postpone the CON request date by approximately two months. Anna Noonan reviewed the next steps of Phase II and the timeline. The Board asked questions and had a discussion with the presenters. The presentation can be seen [here](#) on the GMCB website.

Public Comment

Dale Hackett
Ken Libertoff
Susan Aranoff
Leslie Matthews

OneCare Vermont Q2 Update

Tom Borys, Director of ACO Finance, OneCare Vermont
Joan Zipko, Director of ACO Operations, OneCare Vermont

Tom Borys presented the program status report for Medicare, Medicaid, Blue Cross Blue Shield Vermont (BCBSVT) Qualified Health Plan (QHP), self-funded, and BCBSVT primary. There were two claims processing errors with Medicare fixed payments in 2019: one was fixed in May 2019 and one is currently in queue with Medicare to be addressed. The 2019 All-Inclusive Population-Based Payments (AIPBP) amount is much closer to the zero-pay equivalent, and some AIPBP funds will be set aside at OneCare in anticipation of this year-end reconciliation. Tom Borys reviewed the revenue summary, the population health management (PHM) expense summary, the operating expense summary, the reserves, and the comprehensive payment reform (CPR) program. The Board asked questions and had a discussion with Tom Borys.

Joan Zipko reviewed OneCare Vermont's customer service definitions, the 2019 provider inquiries, the 2019 patient inquiries, and the 2019 patient complaints. OneCare Vermont improved communication with a new website, a beneficiary notification letter, a network newsletter, and prior authorization operations and education. The Board asked questions and had a discussion with Joan Zipko. The presentation from OneCare Vermont can be seen [here](#) on the GMCB website.

Public Comment

Susan Aranoff
Walter Carpenter
Ken Libertoff
Dale Hackett
Kaili Kuiper

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Adjourn

The Board voted (5-0) to adjourn at approximately 3:00 pm.

Unapproved