

GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD (GMCB)
GMCB Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 30, 2017
1:00 pm

Attendance

Robin Lunge, JD, MHCDS (Facilitator)
Jessica Holmes, PhD
Cornelius Hogan
Susan Barrett, J.D. Executive Director
Judith Henkin, Esq. General Counsel

Executive Director's Report

Robin Lunge called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm. Susan Barrett, Executive Director, GMCB, reported to the Board on the following items:

- **Rate Review:** On March 28, 2017, the Board issued a Decision and Order to modify and approve the Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company Large Group Manual Rate Filing (Docket No. GMCB-001-17rr) by reducing the profit margin from 3.5% to 2.0%. The filing, approved as modified, results in an approximate -5.1% average annual rate decrease.
- **Review of Schedule for Upcoming Board Meetings:**
 - April 4th, 2017 – 10:00AM – 3:30PM
 - ACO Budget Guidance Presentation
 - Hospitals to discuss variances from the FY2016 Actuals
 - April 6th, 2017: Cancelled
 - April 13th, 2017 – 10:00AM – 11:30AM
 - GMCB Board Meeting
 - April 13th, 2017 – 1:00PM – 4:00PM
 - ACTD, LLC – The Green Mountain Surgery Center CON Hearing at the Tax Department Board Room (for more information, click [here](#))
- **Public comments received:** GMCB received two public comments regarding the on 2018 Hospital Guidance Document from [HCA](#) and [VDH](#).

Minutes

The Board voted (3-0) to approve the minutes from Thursday, March 23, 2017.

VITL FY2018 Budget Review

John Evans, President / CEO
Robert Turnau, CFO
Kristina Choquette, VP Ops

VITL presented to the Board VITL's FY2018 Projections, inclusive of FY18 Scope of Work, FY18 Out of Scope, FY18 Budget Methodology, FY18 Assumptions, and FY18 Budget. For more information, click [here](#).

Thursday, March 30, 2017 through Tuesday, April 11, 2017, the Board has a special public comment period open on the VITL FY2018 Budget Review. To make a public comment, please click [here](#).

Public Comment

Dale Hackett
Katherine Hikel, M.D., Right Care Alliance

Hospital Budgets – Updates

Mike Davis, GMCB Director of Health Systems Finances

Mike Davis presented an update to the Board regarding Vermont Hospital Budgets - FY2016. For more information, click [here](#).

Public Comment

Ham Davis
Dale Hackett
Katherine Hikel, M.D., Right Care Alliance

FY18 Hospital Budget Guidance – Vote

Mike Davis, GMCB Director of Health Systems Finances

Mike Davis spoke to the Board about the FY2018 Hospital Budget Guidance. The Board voted and approved (3-0).

Public Comment

HCA

VDH

Katherine Hikel, M.D., Right Care Alliance

Michael Del Trecco, VAHHS, Senior VP, Finance & Operations

Christopher Hickey, NWMC, Sr. VP & CFO

Ham Davis

Old Business

None

New Business

Ken Libertoff requested the Board to take a position regarding S.45; the Board agreed that this is not a bill the Board will take a position on.

Jessica Holmes reported that there is a special comment period from *Thursday, March 30, 2017 through Tuesday, April 11, 2017*. *The Board has a special public comment period open on Vermont's Certificates of Need law as administered by the Green Mountain Care Board.* For more information, click [here](#).

Adjourn

The Board voted to adjourn the meeting at approximately 3:28 pm.