

OneCare's Primary Care Payment Reform Program 2021

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Background

- Per 18 V.S.A. § 9382 and GMCB Rule 5.000, GMCB reviews ACOs' budgets annually
- In [OneCare's first budget review \(2018\)](#) the Board ordered the ACO to create a program to encourage independent providers to participate in the APM through the ACO.
- OneCare created what is now known as the Comprehensive Payment Reform (CPR) pilot.
- In this program, OneCare gave independent providers a per member per month (PMPM) payment to help with their transition to the CPR program.
- GMCB supports the continued ramp up of independent providers to the CPR program where appropriate.

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1. Health First sends a letter to OneCare Vermont on August 11th opposing changes made to primary care payment reform program, copying the GMCB.
2. GMCB Staff ushers leadership at Health First and OneCare Vermont to work together to find a path forward and continue working to support the goals of the All Payer Model.
3. OneCare Vermont responds to Health First's August 11th letter on August 25th.

Next Steps (1/3)



GMCCB is committed to increasing access to primary care and we encourage participation in the ACO and APM.

We need to understand if OneCare's changes to their primary care payment reform program align with the population health goals of the APM:

1. Increase access to Primary Care
2. Reduce deaths due to suicide and drug overdose
3. Reduce impact of chronic disease

Next Steps (2/3)

If the legislature moves forward with the proposed language, we recommend...

1. Changing the location of the language to **budget review** section (not certification), to align with our existing operations and review of OneCare's primary care payment reform programs.
2. Clarifying language that may confound provider reimbursement with pay for performance.

Next Steps (3/3)

It appears that changes to OneCare's primary care payment reform program lacked adequate stakeholder input.

We are hopeful that OneCare and Health First can come together this week to resolve their differences.

GMCB Chair is considering taking this issue up at our Board meeting tomorrow to discuss and learn more as a Board about the issues.

We need to understand more about the September 11th timeline, we understood this to be a restriction of the Medicare program only.

Questions?

