

Dear Senator Ayer,

As a follow up to our discussion on the Green Mountain Care Board General Advisory Committee, I would like to reiterate the Board's commitment to holding these meetings and having continuous engagement with the Committee throughout the year. Chairman Mullin has stated at our public Board meetings and in State House Committees, that the Board will conduct at least four Advisory Committee meetings per year. We have held two meetings this year and additional meetings are scheduled for August 1st and October 10th.

I would also like to report that the Board plans to continue the work of the Primary Care Advisory Group (PCAG) which is scheduled to sunset in June of this year. The PCAG has provided significant technical assistance to the Board and staff including advice on quality measures, defining primary care, and workforce issues.

18 V.S.A. § 9374. (5)(e)(1), allows the Board to have the flexibility to continue the work of the PCAG and continue to hear from a broad range of stakeholders on our work. The flexibility, as currently written, allows for the creation of subgroups within the Advisory Committee which is something we have discussed with the sunseting of PCAG.

The Board continues to remain committed to transparency, and much of the Board's success relies on input from the public, interested parties, and our Advisory Group. I am happy to discuss further if you have any questions.

Thanks!

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