

SUMMARY OF THE TESTIMONY OF THE CRAFTSBURY COMMUNITY CARE CENTER  
BEFORE THE HOUSE AND SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEES

February 10, 2020 St Johnsbury and Morrisville

- The Care Center, and all similar residential/assisted living senior care facilities, should receive annual cost of living increases for ACCS and ERC medicaid reimbursements as cost of living increases affect residential facilities as well as the nursing homes and home health care agencies that do receive cost of living increases
- Residential/assisted living facilities are experiencing severe shortages of workers from RNs to resident assistants, so please support any initiatives that increase the health care workforce.
- Medicaid funding is inadequate to cover the costs of residential care. It covers only approximately one-half of the actual cost of care, excluding room and board. Last year we received a \$5.00 increase in ACCS reimbursements, but we will need additional increases in the base rate reimbursement in future years