

Good afternoon, Chair Houghton, Rep. McFaun, and Rep. Black,

I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to pass along some follow-up information that was requested from DVHA during our BAA testimony last week. I hope these will be helpful in answering your questions.

Rep. Black: You had asked about the carry-forward in DVHA's budget, and where that funding had originally been allocated. I can provide the following response from our budget office: *HHC asked why DVHA has \$4.42 million in GF carryforward available at the close of SFY 2023. There are two program areas that came in under cash expenditure in SFY2023. The first is the Dr. D Expansion or IHIP program which was budgeted for \$1.4m but actual expenditure were \$277k in SFY23. The remainder is in the Clawback payments line, which on a cash basis came in below the budgeted amount. In the SFY 24 BAA the Dr. D expansion is being adjusted downward to reflect the most recent updated consensus estimate. The Clawback is being adjusted upward to reflect the most recent projections as provided by FFIS (Federal Funds Information for the States). The \$4.42 million is onetime funding that was unspent in at the close of SFY23 and available to carryforward into SFY 24. It is appropriate to apply these onetime funds in the SFY 2024 budget adjustment.*

Rep. McFaun: You wanted to see some quality measurements for the ACO. Our team has provided a summary breakdown of quality measurement results attached, as well this link: <https://dvha.vermont.gov/initiatives/payment-reform/vermont-medicaid-next-generation-aco-program>, which contains results of the VMNG program from inception in 2017 through 2021, and may be useful for contextualizing the results in the summary table.

Additionally, the 2022 financial and quality results report is currently in draft, and will be published within the next month, but DVHA's presentation of the 2022 results to the Green Mountain Care Board is available here: https://gmcboard.vermont.gov/sites/gmcb/files/documents/2022%20Settlement_Financial_Quality_FINAL_0.pdf (Medicaid-specific results begin on page 15 of this payer panel presentation deck).

Thank you all for your questions, and for your continued service to Vermonters. Please let me know if there are any follow-up questions, or if I can provide further information.

Best,
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