

Hello,

I am writing to voice my support of bill H.766. Particularly as my reconstructive work is considered “elective” (treating issues that are not an immediate threat to the patient’s life), I regularly have to jump through hoops for prior authorization from insurance companies. In the end, the procedures are rarely denied as the UVM division of Plastic Surgery is willing to put in the extra effort for prior-auth, but care is delayed and the work load on my office staff and myself is increased unnecessarily. Passing H.766 will improve the care that my patients and the people of Vermont receive.

Thank you in advance for supporting these bills,

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