



## Primary Care Bridge Funding is Critical to Maintain Access to the Lowest Cost Care in Vermont

Vermont's primary care practices are facing a one-time critical funding cliff due to the loss of OneCare VT and the State's choice to postpone advancing to the AHEAD model until FY2027. The House Health Care Committee ranked primary care cliff funding as one of their highest priorities for the FY26 Budget.

### In the Gov's Recommend

Blueprint for Health Community Health Team CHT, Primary Care Medical Home (PCMH) and SASH

**\$4.4m GF/  
\$10.8m GC**  
*(House included full ask)*

Medicare funds flowed through OCVT to fund these programs

### Not in Gov's Recommend – FY26 Primary Care Cliff Funding Needs

OneCare VT Population Health PMPM & Comprehensive Payment Reform (CPR) Payments

**Pop Health-\$4.6m GF  
CPR - \$835K GF**  
**Total Ask: \$5.5m GF**  
*(House included \$3.95m)*

OCVT incentive payments from all-payer funds for population health management & Independent primary care prospective payment program

Blueprint for Health Mental Health & Substance Use Pilot Program including DULCE

**Total Ask: \$1.385m GF**  
*(House included \$0)*

Integration of physical health, mental health and substance use care, and social services within primary care and subspecialty settings

Note: All-Payer payments to primary care include Medicaid dollars that DVHA has in their base FY26 budget – these requests do not include any of the DVHA funds.

### Not in Gov's Recommend or House – FY26 Primary Care Workforce Needs

#### Family Medicine Training

Please support the Maple Mountain Consortium family medicine residency program. The program creates a new primary care pipeline that will train 4 family medicine trainees per year starting in July 2026. **\$515,000 is needed for FY26.**

#### Medical Student Scholarship

- Please continue the Medical Student Incentive Scholarship Program. Provides scholarships for up to 10 third- and fourth-year UVM medical students who commit to practicing primary care outside of Chittenden County. To date 22 scholarships have been awarded. The program is scheduled to sunset July 1, 2027. **Please remove the 2027 sunset and invest \$500,000 per year for this vital recruitment and retention tool.**

