

**DAIL Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 13, 2022**  
**Microsoft Teams Phone/Video Conference**

**ATTENDEES**

**Board Members:** Lynne Cardozo, Jane Catton, Eliza Eager, Kim Fitzgerald, Michael Gruteke, Jeanne Hutchins, Nick McCardle, Delaina Norton, Steven Pouliot, Rachel Seelig

**State Employees:** Monica White, Megan Tierney-Ward, Ashley Bonneau, Wendy Trafton, Shawn Skaflestad, Jason Pelopida, Julie Abrahamson

**Motion to Approve Minutes:** March 8, 2023, minutes: Motion to approve minutes:  
First: Jane Catton  
Second: Nick McCraddle

Minutes are approved as written.

**DAIL Updates:**

**Megan Tierney-Ward, Deputy Commissioner**

GMSS – There is a MOU that was finalized between DAIL, CCS and GMSS. There was a press release in mid-March with more details on the agreement between them.

In March there was Vermont adaptive ski event for the blind and visually impaired.

The governor's commission on Alzheimer's coalition and they are applying for a second grant.

Vermont Action plan on aging well, Angela Smith Dieng presented on a panel where each state shared their programs. Angela presented on Vermont's initiatives.

The state auditor's office published their results on state licensed facilities (residential care and assisted living) The audit was from January 2016-June 2022. This was also during the COVID pandemic. It appears the auditor's office was focusing on the federal audit standards and the states auditing standards for licensed facilities.

The Northeast Senior Center opened on April 3<sup>rd</sup> in Gilman. It closed in 2019 when the building was condemned, and it has been newly renovated.

The Vermont community foundation is exploring opportunities on aging in Vermont.

**Health Care Reform Updates:**

**Pat Jones, Interim Director of Health Care Reform**

There is a six-year agreement (2017-2022) called the Vermont All-payer ACO Model Agreement between Vermont and the Federal Government which allows Medicare to join Medicaid and commercial insurance to pay for healthcare services differently. In 2023-2024 Vermont and the Federal government had agreed on an extension of this ACO Model agreement with similar terms. In 2025-future the federal government is developing a new multi-state and multi payer model.

For additional information please see the slides on the website.

### **DS Payment Reform SIS-A Sample Analysis & Feedback** **Jessica Bernard, Deputy Director of Payment Reform**

Jessica presented the goals on the payment reform for developmental services as well as the SIS-A sample analysis. Future topics to discuss are the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the SIS-A and ensure they are similar.

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### **Legislative Activity & Member Announcements** **Advisory Board Members**

Conflict free case management update: DVHA website has all of the information for these meetings. VTHCBS.org has power points. The meetings have been about stakeholder reinforcement. There are going to be big and impactful changes for caseworker relationships. Two challenges are a person centered change management and spin off from.

Dementia family care center has their first volunteer mentor program, and they will be starting this month and will continue to meet for the next six months.

Motion to End Meeting

Mike Gruteke moved to end meeting.

Kim Fitzgerald second the motion

**Meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm**