



How to Write a Support Letter

We appreciate support from individual Vermonters, organizations and businesses – all are welcome! In addition to writing a letter, we urge you to share your support through grassroots channels such as Front Porch Forum posts, letters to your elected officials, local newspaper op-eds and simply by talking to your neighbors. Together we will make health care more affordable and friendlier!

Here are the steps:

1) **Address your letter:** “Dear Members of the Green Mountain Care Board:”

2) **Draft an impactful letter:**

- Explain the purpose of your letter
(E.g. *“I am writing this letter to share my support for granting a Certificate of Need to build an ambulatory surgery center in the greater Burlington area.”*)
- Explain your position
(E.g. *“I strongly support the surgery center because high-quality, lower cost health care options are what our community needs... There should be lower-cost alternatives to receive quality care in the state of Vermont and the proposed surgery center would offer just that.”*)
- Describe how the surgery center would affect you and your community
(E.g. *“Health care costs are increasing at a rate that isn’t sustainable for my family/business. The surgery center would give my family access to lower cost care.”*)
- Call the Green Mountain Care Board to action
(E.g. *“I urge the Board to approve the surgery center’s proposal.”*)

3) **Sign your letter:** Include your Name and City

4) **Mail or email your letter to:**

Mail:

Green Mountain Care Board
89 Main Street, Third Floor,
City Center Montpelier, Vermont 05620

Email:

To: **Donna Jerry** at the Green Mountain Care Board (donna.jerry@vermont.gov)
CC: **Eileen Elliot** (elliott@dunkielsaunders.com) & **David Mickenberg**
(mickenberg@gmail.com)

Thank you for voicing your support for better access to more affordable, high-quality health care!