Put Patients First at Porter Medical Center

The CEO of Porter Medical Center has turned a less than ideal situation into a disaster. Using the excuse that some funding may someday not be available (without any evidence that it is leaving), PMC Management has:

- Defunded primary care by $1 million dollars
- Laid off RNs in primary care, resulting in offices that frequently will not have an RN present
- Demanded that doctors work more for less pay
- Managed to be under budget by $2.1 million in 2015
- Created an environment that has created 50% turnover of RNs in 6 months on the Medical/Surgical unit

What would it mean to Put Patients First at Porter Medical Center?

- Invest in caregivers, not administrators, by restoring health insurance for part-time employees and restoring RNs in the practices.
- Treat nurses, doctors and employees with respect by including them in decision making.
- The administration should immediately halt its short-sighted decisions and work with employees and the community to build a solidly financed, patient-centered Porter Medical Center.

What can you do?

- Call and ask for a return to Patient Centered Care

  -PMC CEO Lynn Boggs at 802.388.4741

  -PMC Chair Maureen McLaughlin at 802.877.6302

- Come to the next Porter Medical Center Board meeting.

  While most hospitals in Vermont have open board meetings, PMC does not. Even if they won't let you in, you should let the Board know that you want to restore the patient-centered focus at PMC. To get more involved, send an email to pfnhp5753@upvaft.org

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