

What does Act 48 do?

- A strong statement of intent that includes reference to health care as a public good that should be publicly financed and should cover all Vermonters in a seamless manner.
- A “road map” to universal care that envisions a transition from the federal health benefit exchange to Green Mountain Care, the state’s publicly funded universal and unified health system.
- A timetable that requires the state to seek a waiver “as soon as allowed under federal law” to allow the suspension of the health benefit exchange and the transition to Green Mountain Care, utilizing federal monies.
- Cost containment by reducing administrative expense, and by health system planning and budgeting.
- Ongoing evaluation of “payment reform pilots” to guard against adverse effects on patients.