

April 1, 2024

Re: Letter of Support for Mass General Brigham Health Plan's (MGBHP) One Care & Senior Care Options (SCO) RFR Bid

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard (HAMV) support of the bid by MGBHP to serve as a plan provider for the One Care and SCO programs beginning January 2026. As the Executive Director of Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard, a planning, advocacy, and community-building organization dedicated to creating an aging-friendly Island since 2013, we are well aware of the needs that exist for dual eligible people on Martha's Vineyard, including those with disabilities, and the services and support that best meet these needs and enable their ability to realize their priorities and live independently. Based on MGBHP and Mass General Brigham's ("MGB") intimate understanding and commitment to the communities we both prioritize, we are confident that they are well-positioned and equipped to meet the goals of One Care and SCO programs.

Our organization serves a critical role in ensuring services are available for the Older Adult dual eligible population who are part of our most vulnerable group of Older Adults. All of our coalitions we manage, including Older Adult Transportation, Digital Equity, Falls Prevention Coalition, and Advance Care Planning, in addition to our Beach within Reach Initiative, are focused on addressing the needs of Older Adults on Martha's Vineyard. Access to healthcare is a key issue that has been considered in all that we do. Our pilot programs, including Home Safety Modification, Home Sharing, Call the Tech Pro, GoGoGrandparent on-demand transportation, Off-island transportation to OCB on the Cape, Matter of Balance, to name a few, provide resources to our most vulnerable Older Adults and will be enhanced by the presence of the SCO on the island. Based on our knowledge of and experience with MGB and MGBHP, we are confident that they are uniquely positioned to operate as a plan provider for the One Care and SCO programs and meet critical needs in our community for our dual eligible populations.

Sincerely,

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