Questions for Candidates

The following information and questions are intended solely for educational purposes and to help you discuss important issues with candidates for elected office. The information contained herein and the proposed questions do not, and should not be interpreted to, favor or oppose one candidate or political party over another.

Use these questions, or ask your own, as the successful candidates are only a short time away from engaging in a legislative debate that will impact Dartmouth-Hitchcock (D-H) and your community. Remember, this is entirely voluntary on your part.

Federal Office

Many patients across New England rely on Medicare as their source of health insurance. In a recent financial review of the program, the Medicare Board of Trustees reported that the Medicare Hospital Insurance Trust Fund will be unable to fulfill its payments as of 2026.

- If you are elected to the federal office you are seeking, what suggestions do you have to ensure that Medicare is available for all seniors well into the future while ensuring that providers are adequately reimbursed?

Researchers at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health are proud to be recipients of many federally supported research grant programs from agencies across the government, ranging from the National Institute of Health to the Department of Defense and Veteran’s Administration.

- Will you be an active champion to ensure that there is robust federal funding available for medical research?

As one of the few academic health systems with clinics and member hospitals located in rural settings, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health and the patients we serve face unique challenges.

- As the federal government continues to work to address rural health challenges, what policies and programs do you support that will address health challenges in our region? How would you address the health care workforce challenge faced in rural America?

According to national statistics, New Hampshire has one of the highest rates of opioid related overdoses in the country. New Hampshire, with federal government support, has partnered with health care providers such as Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health and local community organizations to respond to the public health crisis our state is facing.

- Would you maintain federal support to the opioid and behavioral health crisis in our state? Do you support increasing provider reimbursement to ensure access to vital services in this time of great demand? What other solutions might you propose?

Presidential Primary Voting

February 11 in NH
March 3 in VT