

# SENIOR UPDATE

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I hope this message finds you and yours well. It's been a busy year creating and implementing policies and programs that responsively support our seniors. I want to share with you some of the legislation passed this year to improve the quality of life for our elderly residents. If you have questions or if I can be helpful to you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me at 860-240-8585 or email me at Michael.DAgostino@cga.ct.gov.

I look forward to hearing from you!



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# STATE REPRESENTATIVE **MIKE D'AGOSTINO**

Recently I was able to visit the new Meadow Mills memory unit at Whitney Center (right) designed for the optimal care of individuals with dementia. During the visit I highlighted that we established a new Dementia Services Coordinator position to serve residents and expanded eligibility for seniors to participate in adult day services for those with early onset dementia.



## **Proudly helped pass legislation this session that:**

- Eliminated even more taxes on retirement income such as pensions, annuities, and social security
- Strengthened patients' involvement in their homemaker care plans and streamlines the process for filing complaints
- Expanded Medicaid coverage for services such as primary healthcare, physical therapy, and more
- Increased funding by \$2.5 million for elderly nutrition and Meals on Wheels
- Established a new free prescription drug discount card for all Connecticut residents to save on medications (see website and QR Code located on the right)

### **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

#### **Hamden Senior Services**

203-287-2547

#### **Medicare**

800-633-4227

#### **Center for Medicare Advocacy**

800-262-4414

#### **Office of the Healthcare Advocate**

866-466-4446

#### **Department of Social Services**

855-626-6632

#### **The Elder Justice Hotline**

860-808-5555

#### **United Way Infoline / Energy Assistance**

Dial 2-1-1 or visit [www.211ct.org](http://www.211ct.org)

#### **Department of Rehabilitation Services**

800-537-2549

#### **BHcare - Mental Health Services**

203-736-2601

#### **Hamden Police Department**

**(non-emergency)**

203-230-4000

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