

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

CT INFOLINE	2-1-1
DANBURY SENIOR CENTER	203-796-1513
CITY OF DANBURY ELDERLY SERVICES	203-797-4686
DANBURY VETERAN'S ADVISORY CENTER	203-797-4620
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY OF WESTERN CT	203-744-4700
ENERGY ASSISTANCE/OPERATION FUEL	203-748-5422
OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE	866-466-4446
MEDICARE	800-633-4227
CENTER FOR MEDICARE ADVOCACY	860-262-4414
CT FAIR HOUSING CENTER	888-247-4401
STATEWIDE LEGAL SERVICES OF CT	800-453-3320
CIFC DANBURY HEALTH CENTER NORTH ST.	203-456-1406
CIFC DANBURY HEALTH CENTER CENTRAL	203-456-1406
CIFC DANBURY HEALTH CENTER SOUTH	203-456-1405
CIFC DANBURY HEALTH CENTER WEST	203-791-5005

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Dear Friends,

Since being elected into office in 1989, I have always believed that health care is a fundamental right that should be accessible to all residents. This session, I have joined my colleagues in introducing legislation that would create a public health insurance program for private sector employees. We thought this was necessary because not everyone in our state currently has access to health insurance. We have also introduced legislation to create a paid family and medical leave program in the state.

Health care must be more accessible and affordable for residents in our state. No one should be burdened with the outrageous expenses associated with some medical treatment options, screenings or prescription medications. According to data from the U.S. Census, 17 percent of Danbury residents do not have health insurance. This is much greater than the statewide average of 6 percent.

This special report provides you with basic information on some of our existing state-run programs to help you get covered, if you qualify, as well as some other resources. I have also included contact information for you to reach out to various state agencies. I hope you find this information helpful. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns on issues facing our district or state.

Best wishes,



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ACCESS HEALTH CT

While Access Health CT Open Enrollment for 2019 has ended, you may still qualify for medical coverage through a Special Enrollment Period or Medicaid/Children's Health. You must have a qualifying Life Event to qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.

Qualifying Life Events are as follows:

- Just married
- Pregnancy, birth, adoption, or foster care
- Moved to Connecticut from another state or country
- Loss of coverage due to a change in jobs
- Divorce or legal separation
- Aging off your parents' plan
- Involuntary loss of coverage.

If you have experienced any of these events this year, contact a representative at 1-855-490-24278. More information is also available by visiting Learn. AccessHealthCT.com/Special.

The next open enrollment period begins Nov. 1, 2019.



HUSKY HEALTH

Enrollment for HUSKY Health plans is open year-round for qualifying applicants. This public health care program offers a variety of plans for children, parents, relative caregivers, elders, individuals with disabilities, adults without dependent children and pregnant women. HUSKY Health offers a full health benefits package including doctor visits, prescriptions, vision and dental care and more. For more information, call toll-free at 1-877-284-8759.

CHOICES PROGRAM

Need help with understanding Medicare and other health insurance options? CHOICES (Connecticut Health Insurance Assistance, Outreach, Information and referral, Counseling, and Eligibility Screening) is an information source for services available to people age 60 and over, and those with disabilities. CHOICES can also provide referrals to state agencies for particular service needs. You can contact a counselor at 1-800-994-9422 for information about your Medicare and health insurance coverage.



OFFICE OF THE HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE

The Office of the Healthcare Advocate can help Connecticut navigate healthcare coverage. If you have questions regarding enrollment into a health care plan or require assistance understanding the referral or pre-authorization process or the appeal/grievance procedures, you may call toll-free at 1-866-466-4446. This office can also provide you with information on public and private health insurance plans offered in Connecticut. Visit the office's web site at www.ct.gov/oha.

CT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES/CONNECT

The Department of Social Services can help you determine if you are eligible for any services for medical or food assistance. There are programs dedicated to assisting all residents. More information is available on www.ct.gov/dss. ConneCT is also a helpful resource for residents. Medical help may be available for an individual meets certain other conditions such as being hospitalized, pregnant, a minor, or a victim of a serious crime. More information is also available through www.connect.ct.gov.

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