

Connecticut Healthcare Partnership

President Barack Obama has put healthcare reform at the top of the national agenda. Connecticut should too. We're fighting for it – *and you* – again.

A key piece of legislation was passed by the General Assembly a year ago called the Connecticut Healthcare Partnership. Governor Rell vetoed it.

This year, Democrats in the General Assembly currently are considering a host of bills designed to reduce healthcare costs and increase access to quality healthcare for Connecticut families and small businesses.



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features of the **Connecticut Healthcare Partnership**

Access, Savings

The Healthcare Partnership will:

- + Save money for our cities, towns, and the state
- + Provide relief for small businesses, and non-profits
- + Expand access to high quality, affordable healthcare for individuals and families

Overview

The Partnership would open the state employee health plan to municipalities, non-profits and small employers on a completely voluntary basis. This would streamline the current system of healthcare purchasing and allow greater access to a bulk purchasing pool which can reduce costs for everyone.

What the Experts Say

David Osborne, a nationally recognized expert in budgeting and improving government performance, argues that because governments are such large players in the healthcare marketplace they can get better care at better prices by creating large statewide healthcare purchasing pools and including both public and private employers.

Self-Insurance Saves Money

A key feature of this year's Connecticut Healthcare Partnership bill is that the state employee health plan will switch from fully insured to self-insured – resulting in immediate savings to the state. Most large employers self-insure because it costs less. A self-insured plan will allow the state to realize long-term savings by directly managing the medical claims and health service utilization.

Healthcare Reform Now

Healthcare reform in Connecticut is long overdue. Now more than ever, we simply can't afford not to consider the Connecticut Healthcare Partnership. This landmark piece of legislation could set an example for healthcare reform nationwide.



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