



HEALTH CARE HEADLINES

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Notice anything different?

Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut celebrates its 20th anniversary in 2020. To honor the first 20 years in the fight and kick off the next 20, watch for some new and special things: starting with our new logo.



President Frances G. Padilla for the Connecticut Post: The time is now for action on health care

"There is a lot that our legislators could do to help state residents now. First, they should ensure that everyone can get COVID-19 testing and treatment without cost-sharing for the duration of the pandemic. Right now, those protections are time-limited and insurers are not bound to comply. Other ideas include offering subsidies to make coverage and care more affordable to people who buy their own insurance and aligning HUSKY eligibility of parents to the same level as their children." [Read more.](#)

[Use this link](#) to contact your elected officials and call on them to ensure they take action on health care during the September special session.

Universal health care means immigrants too—regardless of status

On Thursday we sat down with Jonathan Gonzalez-Cruz and Camila Bortolletto to talk about the realities immigrants in Connecticut face in getting health care. [You can watch the conversation here.](#)



You can also [sign this petition](#) to demand that Governor Lamont opens up HUSKY for immigrants.

Did you miss our Tweet Storm today? We targeted CT House and Senate leadership, asking them to take #HealthCareActionNOW. [Click here](#) to see the action!



Last week, Lynne Ide, policy and program director, testified before the CT Insurance Department

She brought more than 250 petition signatures with her to ask the CID to say no to greedy health insurance rate hikes

in 2021. You can read her testimony [here](#), and [check out this article](#) recapping the hearing.

Don't forget! Reserve your place for our upcoming online conversation: Health Care Matters in the 2020 Election—Learn Why

Frances Padilla will sit down with Stan Dorn, a national health care policy expert, and Anghy Idrovo, a local grassroots organizer, as we dive into the issues together, with time for your questions at the end. [Reserve your place here!](#)



92%

of CT residents surveyed agree, across party lines, that the government should expand health insurance options so everyone can afford quality coverage.

...so what are we waiting for?

Survey: Most Connecticut residents worry about affording health care if they get COVID.

We partnered with the Altarum Healthcare Value Hub to survey CT residents about their health care worries and what they think of possible solutions.

“We live in such a polarized age, but if you actually look at data from a survey that was given to a broad range of people in the state, there’s remarkable agreement across party lines that government needs to take action to address health care affordability concerns,” said Jill Zorn, our policy officer. [Click to read more.](#)

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