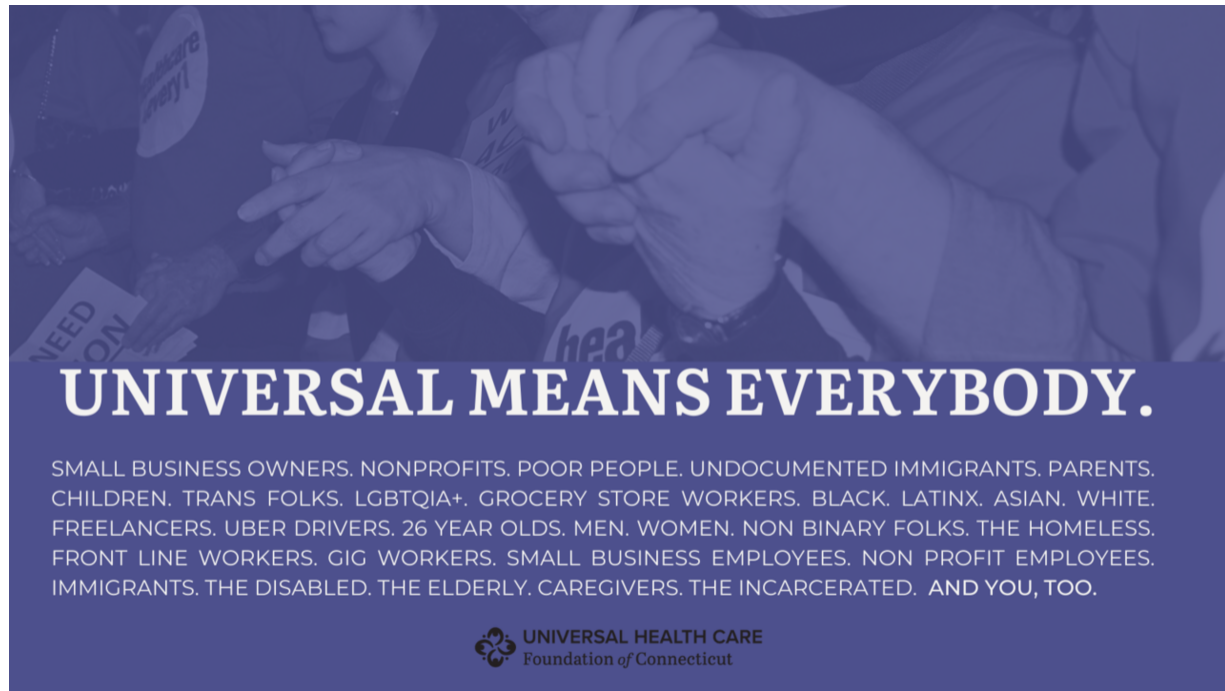




## HEALTH CARE HEADLINES 2021



### Statement of President Frances G. Padilla on the Public Options bill.

Once again, the powerful have ignored the will of the people.  
[Read Frances' statement here.](#)



### Just announced! The next installment of Beyond COVID: Connecting Communities, Health, and Care is coming!

Join us June 30 for a compelling conversation with Liany Elba Arroyo, MPH, CPH, Director of

Hartford's Department of Health and Human Services & Jennifer Muggeo, MPH, Deputy Director of Ledge Light Health District to discuss public health, moderated by Frances Padilla.

Local public health departments have remained at the center of COVID testing, tracking, and control- and yet, they are underfunded and disrespected. They have the potential to bolster health equity and build healthier communities, and we're looking forward to chatting with two of the smartest women in that sector. [Reserve your place now.](#)

### The ongoing fight for reproductive freedom: a conversation with Liz Gustafson of NARAL CT.



As attacks against reproductive freedom and abortion access continue, Liz Gustafson breaks down what's going on nationally and in CT, and how we can all help to safeguard abortion access and reproductive care. Read the conversation [here](#).



### The legislature is still in session, and they have yet to extend health care to undocumented immigrants.

That's inhumane. Immigrant families cannot seek proper health care. With 120,000 estimated undocumented immigrants in our state, this is a massive public health concern, especially in a pandemic! But it doesn't have to be this way.

Send a letter to your legislator with this link urging them to support SB 956, which would open up HUSKY (Medicaid) to all CT residents regardless of immigration status. Send a letter now demanding that funding is included in the budget for undocumented immigrant health coverage! [Send the letter.](#)

As always, [tell us what you'd like to hear more about](#) so you can see the latest on all the issues you care about.

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