

<u>Press Statement – For Immediate Rel</u>ease

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Universal Health Care Foundation applauds

Supreme Court decision defending Dreamers

Frances G. Padilla, president of Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut, applauded the U.S. Supreme Court for making the right decision to uphold the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

"This decision lays to rest the uncertainty and anxiety of millions of young people, thousands right here in Connecticut, who are contributing members of our communities and future leaders in government, industry and public service," Padilla said.

At Universal Health Care, we know that people without documents often struggle to access or afford quality health insurance. DACA allows some to work and access health care through their jobs. There is still much to do for our undocumented neighbors and families, but we applaud the Supreme Court's decision.

Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut's mission is to serve as a catalyst that engages residents and communities in shaping a democratic health system that provides universal access to quality, affordable health care and promotes health in Connecticut. We believe that health care is a fundamental right and that our work is part of a broader movement for social and economic justice.