

People Want Better Choices for Health Care

Too many Connecticut small businesses, nonprofits and families are not able to afford health plans that truly meet their budget and health care needs.

This year, your state legislators have a chance to pass a law (HB 7267 and SB 134) that would offer new choices of quality affordable health plans for:



- **SMALL BUSINESSES & NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS with under 50 employees:** Will have the option to buy health plans offered through the state starting in 2020



- **INDIVIDUALS:** Starting in 2021, the state will offer a new health plan option for people who buy their own health insurance

This proposal ADDS CHOICES for small businesses, nonprofits and individuals who buy insurance on their own. It does not replace health plans that are available now. People can purchase this new option if they want to.

82% of people who buy insurance on their own worry they will not be able to afford it in the future.



CT small businesses employ over 700,000 people – and less than half of them offer health insurance benefits.



Options in the small group and individual insurance market are mostly high deductible health plans – so even those with insurance are often unable to use it.



Small businesses and nonprofits, as well as individuals who buy insurance for themselves and their families, pay more than they can truly afford or give up buying coverage at all

The state health plan offers great coverage.

Why not put it to work to help more state residents?

- The state plan keeps people healthier by providing low-cost access to preventive care and help them better manage chronic conditions, like high blood pressure or asthma
- As a large health plan, it has the buying power to demand better prices.

What Can I Do?



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- Share how this new choice would help you
- Join us on May 1st at the Capitol for Health Care Action Day. **RSVP**