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Subject: Comments on CT Healthcare Innovation Plan

Good morning,

The comments below concern pages 18-19, and 24-25 of draft 1.1 of the CT Healthcare Innovation Plan, and specifically references to the CT State Health Assessment and consistency of data sources for health planning purposes.

- Page 18 and 25: Recommend using US Census, American Community Survey (vs. Moody's Analytics) for data on CT's population and health insurance coverage. ACS 2012 1-year estimates are available and using this source CT's population estimates are 3.6 million residents (70% white, 9.4% African American, 14.2% Hispanic, and 6.4% other (4.1% Asian)). With respect to income 10.7% of residents are below the poverty line. For health care coverage, 9.1% of the population is uninsured.
- Page 19, population health indicators: Heart disease and cancer do not have "almost equal rates for men and women" as indicated in the plan. The 2009 age adjusted mortality rates for cancer in females is 29% lower than for males. Related to heart disease, the age adjusted mortality rate for females is 37% lower than males.
- Page 19, adult obesity: Updated data is available through the BRFSS 2012 prevalence and trends data vs. 2009 CDC Fast Facts cited in the plan. BRFSS data indicate US adult obesity is 27.6% compared to 25.6% for CT (27.1% male and 24.1% female).
- Page 24, Income disparity: If citing the CT state health assessment for this information, the median is approximately \$66,000 (or \$65,753) in 2011 and 37.1% are college graduates.

Should you have additional questions please feel free to contact me or Carol Bower (509-7141).

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Thank you,

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