



By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an  
**Official Statement**

*W*HEREAS, nine Federally Qualified Health Centers are participating in the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act Outreach and Enrollment Program (CHIPRA); and

*W*HEREAS, it is critical that Community Health Workers are out stationed at Federally Qualified Health Centers throughout Connecticut in order to assist Connecticut citizens in obtaining access to health services; and

*W*HEREAS, Community Health Workers improve access to quality health care provided by trained professionals in areas that had previously been unserved or underserved in Connecticut, promoting individual responsibility and health awareness in communities, and offering assistance in applying for HUSKY and Charter Oak Health Plan; and

*W*HEREAS, Community Health Workers throughout the State of Connecticut reflect Connecticut's enduring commitment to providing health care for all; and

*W*HEREAS, Community Health Workers promote 100% access and zero health disparity to help achieve primary health care for everyone and end health disparities; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut do hereby officially designate April 7, 2017, as

**COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER DAY**

in the State of Connecticut and urge our citizens to recognize the important contributions of Connecticut's Community Health Workers to the improvement of the quality of life of the citizens of our State.



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