



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

April 1, 2021

Dear Commissioners Delphin-Rittmon and Gifford, and the Connecticut National Prevention Week 2021 Planning Committee,

I am writing to express the Connecticut Insurance Department's full support of Connecticut's celebration of National Prevention Week (NPW) 2021, May 9-15, 2021. I understand that these activities and initiatives establish a framework for expanded discussion throughout the year, and build and sustain awareness of the importance of substance use prevention and the promotion of positive mental health.

Specifically, my agency supports substance abuse prevention, suicide prevention and mental health promotion by ensuring consumers get the medical and mental health services they need from the insurers this department regulates. The department will sponsor a new public media campaign on behavioral health awareness that will run over the coming months. Our Market Conduct Division conducts regular exams on how insurers conduct their business and pay their claims. The agency focuses on consumer protection and fully investigates complaints on behalf of policyholders.

The Insurance Department is pleased to join Connecticut's state and local partners, and communities in moving forward to inspire action and prevent substance use and mental disorders.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner  
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