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CHA Responds to the Governor's Reversal on Hospital Cuts

WALLINGFORD – Jennifer Jackson, CEO, CHA, released the following statement in response to the news that Governor Malloy is returning approximately \$15 million of the nearly \$200 million in hospital cuts:

Today the Governor has reversed himself and decided to restore less than six percent of his cuts to hospitals. This is simply a political smoke screen to cover up and divert attention from the devastating \$190 million in cuts he unveiled 2 weeks ago. Let's be clear: This is a Band-Aid on a bone-deep wound.

The people of Connecticut understand what the Governor is doing, and won't stand silently by while the Governor harms patients and undermines Connecticut's healthcare system.

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About CHA

The Connecticut Hospital Association has been dedicated to serving Connecticut's hospitals since 1919. Through state and federal advocacy, CHA represents the interests of Connecticut's hospitals on key healthcare issues in the areas of quality and patient safety, access and coverage, workforce, population health, health equity, and value-based reimbursement.