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## Connecticut Hospitals Partner with Access Health CT to Enroll Consumers in Coverage

WALLINGFORD – This month, select staff members from Connecticut hospitals are training to become Certified Application Counselors (CACs). CACs, a role created through the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, will help consumers understand, apply for, and enroll in health coverage. CHA and Access Health CT, the state's health insurance marketplace, are conducting the training together.

"Hospitals are pleased to partner with Access Health CT to help enroll consumers across the state in coverage," said Jennifer Jackson, President and CEO of the Connecticut Hospital Association. "Having more people covered by insurance is great for patients, communities, and hospitals."

Counselors must complete the required training and comply with privacy and security laws, as well as other program requirements. The training program involves classroom and online learning, and culminates in an exam.

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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, community health, diversity, and hospital reimbursement.