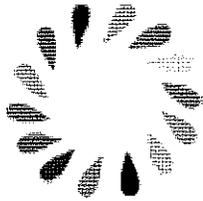


# Connecticut Multicultural Health Partnership



**Appropriations Committee  
2/19/13 Budget Hearing  
HB 6350**

**In Opposition to the Elimination of the CT Commission on Aging  
Brad Plebani, CT Multicultural Health Partnership**

The Executive Committee of the Connecticut Multicultural Health Partnership, which has over 400 individuals and organizational members devoted to ending health disparities, voted today to oppose the abolition of the Connecticut Commission on Aging. The Partnership recognizes the importance of the Commission on Aging and its advocacy efforts for older Connecticut residents. Older people in Connecticut with racial and ethnic minority backgrounds need the continued advocacy efforts of the Commission on Aging in order to effectively eliminate all health disparities, a role that the Commission has played in the past and can continue in the future. We need an independent policy voice and research organization for older racial and ethnic minorities. And for this reason, we urge the General Assembly to keep the Commission on Aging intact and unchanged.