State of Connecticut Government Health Care Policy
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CHDC Collaborative
Office of Health Strategy

- Developing and implementing comprehensive and cohesive health care vision for the state including coordinated state health care cost containment strategy
- Directing and overseeing the APCD and SIM
- Coordinating the state’s HIT initiatives
- Directing and overseeing OHCA
- Convening forums/meetings with government and stakeholders including CHIE to discuss and develop effective cost and quality strategies
- Advised by Healthcare Cabinet – stakeholder group
Office of Health Strategy

- The OHS provides the state’s first overall framework for health policy strategy
- Allows for unified data-driven policymaking and coordinated cost containment strategy decisions.
- Central coordinating structure to develop health policy to improve health outcomes and investigate or limit healthcare cost growth across all sectors whether private or public—hospital, physician and clinical services and prescription drugs.
- Brings together critical data sets and health information exchange efforts
OHS components

- OHCA develops a statewide health plan based in part on up-to-date hospital data sets and practice information. It also runs the certificate of need (CON) program that determines appropriate siting and need for various healthcare services and facilities around the state.

- The State Innovation Model (SIM) aims to improve healthcare quality, improve population health, eliminate health inequities and reduce costs through reforms to the delivery system, the use of alternative payment models, value-based insurance design, and population health planning. The SIM is a multi-payer initiative and works across DSS, DPH, DMHAS, CID, DCF, UConn, the Comptroller’s office, employers, carriers, providers and advocates.

- HIT and APCD – key enablers of reform work.