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## **Connecticut Hospital Association Applauds Supreme Court Ruling on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act**

WALLINGFORD – The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) is pleased that the U.S. Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA).

“Connecticut hospitals supported the passage of the bill and look forward to continuing to work with the Connecticut delegation in Washington to implement PPACA and fulfill its promise of providing excellent, accessible healthcare to patients and communities throughout the state,” said Jennifer Jackson, CHA President and CEO.

Connecticut hospitals are committed to being leaders in the discussion on how to strengthen the state’s Medicaid program and leverage opportunities for coverage and funding provided by federal healthcare reform. There are options for expanding coverage and creating an up-to-date Medicaid system that will expand access and improve quality of care for all patients; make healthcare more affordable for families and business by reducing the cost shift to business; provide cost savings for the state; and improve funding for hospitals and other primary care providers. Connecticut hospitals will continue to work with policymakers to reform the healthcare delivery system, reduce the number of uninsured, increase access to care, and ensure the financial viability of hospitals.

Hospitals have been and will continue to be committed to doing what is best for their patients and communities – focusing on patient safety, quality, efficiency of care, reducing costs, and on increasing access to affordable healthcare.

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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, and hospital reimbursement.