

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **ECHN Community Health Care Foundation, Inc. Appoints Corporate and Foundation Relations Officer**

MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT –Stan Kontogiannis has been appointed to the position of Corporate and Foundation Relations Officer for Eastern Connecticut Health Network (ECHN) Community HealthCare Foundation, Inc. In his role as Corporate and Foundation Relations Officer, Stan will lead ECHN partnerships with corporations and corporate executives, as well as administer grants for the ECHN system. Before joining ECHN, Stan was the Director of Admissions for Chapel Haven in New Haven, Connecticut.



Stan began his professional career in philanthropy as the State Director of the Best Buddies Program for the State of Connecticut, an organization that promotes one-to-one friendships between disabled and non-disabled individuals, founded by the Shriver family. In 2001, he accepted the position of Director of Development for ARI of Connecticut, where his responsibilities included fundraising, lobbying, special events and public relations. He was then appointed as the Development Officer for CLASP Homes Inc, where he networked with politicians, the chamber of commerce, foundations and local corporations. In 2005, he was recruited to become Director of Development and Public Relations for Easter Seals and Goodwill Industries in New Haven. There, he worked with administration, the board and volunteers to promote the missions of both organizations and directed all special events including the Fantasy of Lights.

In 2006, Stan was a forty under 40 award recipient for professional achievement and community involvement for New Haven and in 2005, he received the Big Brother of the Year Award from the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern CT.

ECHN is a not-for-profit health care system serving 19 towns in eastern Connecticut, through its network of affiliates that include Manchester Memorial Hospital, Rockville General Hospital, Woodlake at Tolland (a 100-bed nursing home and short-term rehabilitation facility), the ECHN Medical Building at Evergreen Walk in South Windsor, which

houses the Women's Center for Wellness, and ECHN Health Services Inc. (a series of medical practices owned and operated by ECHN). It is in partnership with Visiting Nurse & Health Services of Connecticut Inc., Connecticut Occupational Medicine Partners Inc., Ambulance Service of Manchester, Aetna Ambulance, Metro Wheelchair, and Saint Francis Care (which partners with ECHN on the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory of the Hoffman Heart Institute of Connecticut at Rockville General Hospital), Community CancerCare Inc. (which provides radiation therapy services at The John A. DeQuattro Community Cancer Center in Manchester). ECHN is also affiliated with Connecticut Children's Medical Center.