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CHA STATEMENT ON LAUNCH OF STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS IN UNDERSERVED AREAS AND FACILITIES

WALLINGFORD - The **Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA)** released the following statement regarding Governor Ned Lamont’s announcement that his administration is launching a new state program to address the healthcare workforce shortage in Connecticut’s health professional shortage areas:

“We thank Governor Ned Lamont and Commissioner Juthani for their continued commitment and actions to grow, support, and retain the healthcare workforce. Workforce shortages, which come in the wake of pandemic related demands and as the workforce ages to retirement, are felt across the entire continuum of care. The breadth of need requires collaboration across sectors, industries, and state partnership. Hospitals are creating new ways to support employee mental health, recruitment, and resiliency; and Governor Lamont, state officials, and lawmakers have been steadfast partners in this work. This program is another important step to invest in the healthcare workforce and attract and retain talent in all communities.”

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