



## Office of Recovery Act Coordination

Department of Health and Human Services

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources

### Recovery Act:

# Connecticut Highlights



Since the enactment of the Recovery Act in 2009, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has made **\$1.8 billion in stimulus funds available in the State of Connecticut\*** for

Community Health Centers, universities and other institutions in the State to provide fiscal relief, improve and expand access to health care, provide child care and other social services for its most vulnerable citizens, establish the infrastructure for health information technology, and conduct scientific research.

### This includes:

- **\$1.4 billion** for the increased Federal share (FMAP) of State Medicaid costs.
- **\$180.2 million** for scientific research and facilities, including:
  - **\$9.2 million** to Yale University for a vivarium.
  - **\$7.9 million** to the University of Connecticut for renovations of laboratory animal care facilities and **\$3.3 million** for an addition at Hartford Hospital for a new MRI scanner and research staff.
- **\$39 million** for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), including **\$14.5 million** for subsidized jobs programs.
- **\$37.2 million** for Community Health Center services, construction, renovation, equipment and health information technology (IT), including:
  - **\$11.3 million** for Hartford's Charter Oak Health Center, **\$3.3 million** for Middletown's Community Health Centers Inc., and **\$2.4 million** for Bridgeport's Optimus Health Care for increased demand for services, construction, and equipment.
- **\$33.9 million** for health IT, including:
  - **\$18.8 million** for Connecticut's Medicaid Electronic Health Record incentive program for implementation and payments to providers and hospitals.
  - **\$7.3 million** to the Connecticut Department of Public Health to facilitate health information exchange.
  - **\$6.4 million** to eHealthConnecticut in Rocky Hill to create a Regional Extension Center to provide health IT support services to doctors and other providers.
- **\$13.7 million** for the Child Care and Development Fund to improve access to child care and improve quality.
- **\$12.5 million** for Early Head Start and Head Start programs for expansion and quality improvement.
- **\$12.3 million** for the Community Services Block Grant for community action agencies to help low-income residents to become self-sufficient.
- **\$3.1 million** to support 66 National Health Service Corps clinicians providing primary health care in Health Professional Shortage Areas.
- **\$1.3 million** for the Communities Putting Prevention to Work State initiative for State programs targeting obesity and tobacco use.
- **\$1.3 million** to help strengthen community nonprofit groups.
- **\$1.2 million** for meals and nutrition services for the elderly.
- **\$1.1 million** for immunization programs.

*\*The total funding in this document is based on the HHS Sept. 30, 2011, Financial and Activity Report (FAR) for the Recovery Act, available at the Department's website, <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/reports/index.html>, except for FMAP, which is based on the Oct. 21, 2011, FAR and FMAP obligations of \$200.8 million in Recovery Act funds extended by P.L. 111-226. The highlights are a selection of programs funded by the Recovery Act and do not add up to the total funding within the State. For more information about individual HHS programs and Recovery Act funding, see <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>.*