



## **Legislative Update # 30 October 12, 2010**

The count down begins as we are less than 4 weeks away from Election Day 2010. On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will have the opportunity to go to the polls and elect a new Governor for our state as well as a new member of the U.S. Senate. Our Congressional delegation, our state senators, state representatives and probate judges are on the ballot as well. This update includes a link to the Secretary of State's election information page where you can determine who is on the ballot in your area.

<http://www.statementofvote-sots.ct.gov/StatementOfVote/WebModules/ReportsLink/CandOfficeTitle.aspx>

Though the Legislature is not officially in session there are still some meetings taking place at the LOB and in other venues that we wanted to let you know about as we head into the later part of the year.

### **Task Force to Study Converting Legislative Documents from Paper to Electronic Form**

This committee will make recommendations to the Legislature regarding documents that are currently available in the Bill Room. The committee is looking to save money by deciding what documents will be only on the web site so that you would have to be able to print the documents (like bills and calendars and bulletins and file copies) at home or in your office. There are strong feelings about this issue and it is anticipated that there will be a debate on how the public will have continued access to important information. The meeting information is as follows:

Meeting October 26<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm at LOB (room to be announced)

Public Hearing November 18<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm at LOB (room to be announced)

Public Hearing December 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm at LOB (room to be announced)

## Behavioral Health Partnership Meetings

DMHAS, DSS, DCF as well as advocates and providers are meeting on a monthly basis to lay out the plan for the managing the Medicaid behavioral health benefits. The schedule for the rest of the year is as follows:

|   | <b>Time</b>   | <b>Location</b>                 |
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| <b>BHP Oversight Council</b><br>(2nd Wednesday/month)<br><br>Wednesday Oct. 13, 2010<br><br>Future <b>2010</b> dates: 10/13; 11/10;<br>12/8/10            | <b>10/13</b> meeting starts at<br><u><b>1:30 PM</b></u> | Meetings in room:<br>LOB Rm. 1E |
| <b>BHP OC Executive Committee</b><br>(1st Wed./ month)<br><br><u><b>Nov. 3, 2010</b></u> (No Oct meeting)<br><br><u><b>2010</b></u> dates: <u>12/1/10</u> | All meetings begin at<br>2:30 PM                        | LOB RM 3000                     |

### BHP Oversight Council Committees

|  | <b>Time</b>   | <b>Location</b>  |
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| <b>DCF Advisory Committee</b><br>(1st Tuesday/M)<br><br>Tuesday Nov. 2, 2010<br><br><u><b>2010</b></u> dates: 12/7/10                        | <b>All DCF meetings @</b><br>9:30-11:30 AM- CCPA<br><br>Directions: 257-7909 or<br>www.ccpa-inc.org | <b>CCPA</b><br>35 Cold Springs Rd<br>Suite 522<br>Rocky Hill, Ct                     |
| <b>DMHAS Advisory Committee:</b><br><br>Thursday Oct. 14, 2010<br><br><u><b>2010</b></u> dates: 11/11, 12/9                                  | All meetings<br>2-3:30 PM   | DMHAS meetings @ CVH   |
| <b>Quality committees</b><br>(3rd Friday/month)<br><br><u><b>HUSKY &amp; Child Quality Management</b></u><br><br><b>Friday Oct. 15, 2010</b> | All <b>Child QA</b> meetings<br>@: 1-2:30 PM- VO  | <b>CTBHP/VO</b><br>500 Enterprise Dr,<br>Suite 4D<br>Rocky Hill, Ct<br>www.CTBHP.com |

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| <p><b><u>2010</u></b> dates: 11/19; 12/17/10</p> <p><b><u>Adult Quality Management Committee (3rd Friday/M)</u></b></p> <p><b>Friday Jan. 2011 @ 2:30 PM</b></p> <p><b><u>2011</u></b> future dates TBA</p> | <p>All <b>Adult QA</b> meetings<br/>2:30 -4 PM</p>   |   |
| <p><b>Operations (<u>1st Friday/month</u>)</b></p> <p><b>CTBHP Prog:</b> Friday Nov. 5, 2010</p> <p><b><u>2010</u></b> dates: 12/3.</p> <p>* <b>GA Conversion meeting:</b><br/>Oct. 22, 2010</p>            | <p>All <b>CTBHP</b> meetings @<br/><b>2:30 -4 PM</b></p> <p><b>GA conversion meeting</b><br/><b>10/22 @ 2 PM</b></p> | <p>*CTBHP/VO in Rocky Hill</p> <p>*GA meeting @ CVH</p> |
| <p><b>Provider Advisory (3rd Wed/month)</b></p> <p>Wed. Oct. 20, 2010<br/>(Sept meeting is cancelled)</p> <p><b><u>2010</u></b> dates: 11/17; 12/15/10</p>  | <p>All meetings @:<br/>1:30 – 3 PM</p>   | <p>Meetings @ <u>CCPA</u></p>                           |
| <p><b>Coordination of Care</b></p> <p>(4th Wed. every <b><u>OTHER</u></b> month)<br/><b><u>Wednesday Nov. 17, 2010</u></b></p> <p><b><u>2011</u></b> dates: TBA</p>   | <p>All meetings @:<br/>1:30 –3:00 PM</p>   | <p>Meetings in: LOB Rm. <u>3800</u></p>                 |

Meeting information is updated periodically on this Information Line at (860) 240-8329.

Last minute meeting cancellations will be placed on the Council direct line: (860) 240-0321.

If you have any questions about the Medicaid or Behavioral Health Partnership Councils please call Mariette McCourt at **(860) 240-0321**.

Access the Council Web site for meeting summaries & HUSKY program updates, at: **[www.cga.ct.gov/ph/BHPOC](http://www.cga.ct.gov/ph/BHPOC)**

**KEEP THE PROMISE COALITION**  
**GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE EDUCATION FORUM**  
**ON**  
**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES**

**Friday, October 22, 6:30PM**

**Woodrow Wilson Middle School**

**370 Hunting Hill Avenue, Middletown**

**Accessing Information via the Connecticut General Assembly Web Page:**

If you wish to get the details/status on a bill, read the text of a bill, or check on committee agendas or upcoming events in the Bulletin, log onto the Connecticut General Assembly web page at:

**<http://www.cga.ct.gov>**

If you wish to look up committee agendas or check upcoming events in the Bulletin, these can be accessed on that same page by scrolling down and clicking on the appropriate item.

**If you are seeking info on a specific bill, type the bill number in the box (upper right of page) – just the actual number, you do not need S.B. or H.B. – and click on “GO.” The page which will come up shows the bill history, summary, etc. for that bill. If you wish to read the bill text, scroll down the page, and click on the bill text, and the bill will come up on the screen.**

