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ACCESS HEALTH CT CEO JIM WADLEIGH RESPONSE TO CONNECTICUT INSURANCE DEPARTMENT DECISION PROHIBITING HEALTHYCT FROM SELLING HEALTHCARE PLANS IN CT

11,299 customers will need to enroll with new carrier during 2016/2017 Open Enrollment Period

Hartford, Conn. (July 5, 2016) - Access Health CT (AHCT) CEO Jim Wadleigh provided the following comment regarding the CT Insurance Department's decision to prohibit health insurance company HealthyCT from selling plans in Connecticut:

"We have just learned from the Connecticut Insurance Department that insurance company HealthyCT has been ordered to stop writing new policies in Connecticut effective immediately. As a result, Access Health CT will no longer be selling healthcare coverage offered by HealthyCT on the exchange. We realize that this will cause some concern for customers who purchased a HealthyCT plan via AHCT and we are committed to making sure they receive the help they need to find new coverage."

"AHCT currently has 11,299 customers who purchased plans from HealthyCT. Those customers will be covered under their current policies until December 31, 2016 and will have to enroll in a new plan when our Open Enrollment Period begins November 1, 2016. Included in that number are 52 individuals who recently enrolled with HealthyCT when their Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA) coverage eligibility ended."

"AHCT staff are currently developing an outreach plan to inform customers who purchased HealthyCT products via the exchange of their change in status and to inform them that they will need to shop for a new plan come November. We will also be reaching out to the 52 TMA customers to help them chose a new plan."

"Again, we know that the CT Insurance Department's decision to prohibit HealthyCT from selling healthcare plans will be concerning for people. AHCT will do everything we can to help them find a new plan when Open Enrollment begins in November."

About Access Health CT

Access Health CT (AHCT), Connecticut's official health insurance marketplace, is a quasi-public agency created by the Connecticut legislature in 2011 to satisfy requirements of the federal Affordable Care Act. AHCT's mission is to increase the number of insured residents in Connecticut, promote health, lower costs, and eliminate health disparities. Connecticut residents and small business owners can compare and enroll in health care coverage and apply for tax credits for individuals through AHCT. AHCT (or the Marketplace) also coordinates eligibility and enrollment with state Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs. For more information, please visit www.AccessHealthCT.com, like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/AccessHealthCT and follow us on Twitter @AccessHealthCT.

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