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## Community Health Center Gets Grant Under Affordable Care Act

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*Modified from a press release by Congresswoman DeLauro, who represents Middletown in the U.S. House of Representatives.*

Rosa DeLauro announced today that the Community Health Center has been awarded a \$451,370 grant by the Health and Human Services Department. With the grants, the Community Health Center, Inc. will be better able to provide comprehensive physical and mental health care to students, in schools, where the care is easily accessible.

“These grants will go a long way towards making health services more readily available for children and adolescents. Unfortunately Connecticut needs no reminder of how critical it is to make sure young people can access mental, as well as physical health care services. I am proud the Affordable Care Act created this grant program and that we are continuing to support programs that make our communities healthier. Even in tough fiscal times, we have to put people’s health and safety first.”

Under the Affordable Care Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services is required to award grants to support school-based health centers that provide comprehensive physical and mental health services to children and adolescents. DeLauro announced that Fair Haven Community Health Clinic, in New Haven, and the Griffin Hospital/Griffin Health Services Corporation in Derby also received grants.

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