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## Murphy optimistic about healthcare reform

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MERIDEN - With a new president set to take office next month and a new committee assignment for himself, U.S. Rep. Christopher S. Murphy, D-5th, hopes that 2009 will be the year that Congress changes the country's healthcare system.

"This is a system that is crying out for reform," Murphy said at a press conference Tuesday.

Murphy came to the Meriden Community Health Center Tuesday to reiterate his support of the Health Care for America NOW's statement of common purpose. He also discussed his new role as a member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

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