



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an  
**Official Statement**

*WHEREAS*, our healthcare system must acknowledge the whole patient and recognize the emotional, psychological, and social aspects of healing alongside the physical; and

*WHEREAS*, our healthcare system must treat patients and each other with basic respect and consideration owed to every individual; and

*WHEREAS*, trust is the foundation of effective healthcare relationships, nurturing confidence between patients and providers for optimal medical outcomes; and

*WHEREAS*, patient-centeredness is key; to put patients and their families first; and

*WHEREAS*, our healthcare system must strive for the highest quality of care, continuous improvement, and evidence-based practices to achieve optimal health outcomes for patients; and

*WHEREAS*, patients should be empowered to receive compassionate care; and

*WHEREAS*, healthcare workers need to practice greater compassion towards patients, colleagues, and themselves; and

*WHEREAS*, we must foster an inclusive healthcare system in which each person is treated as if the Patient is U;

*THEREFORE*, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim July 10, 2024 as

**THE PATIENT IS U (TPIU) DAY**

in the State of Connecticut.



*Ned Lamont*

GOVERNOR