CROSS-CUTTING THEMES FOR FOCUS AREAS

All Focus Area Work Groups are asked to consider these themes during formulation of goals, objectives, and strategies for the Connecticut Health Improvement Plan.

**POPULATIONS (High-Risk, Disadvantaged, Underserved, and Vulnerable)**
- **Life Course:**
  - Mothers & Infants
  - Children
  - Adolescents and Young People
  - Working-age Adults
  - Older Adults
- **Sex and Gender:**
  - Male and Female
  - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender
- **Race and Ethnicity:**
  - Race:
    - White, non-Hispanic
    - Black, non-Hispanic
    - Asian, non-Hispanic
    - American Indian, non-Hispanic
    - Hispanic ethnicity (all races)
  - People with Disabilities
  - Veterans
  - Homeless Persons
  - Rural Populations
  - Incarcerated Persons

**DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH**
- **Social & Economic:**
  - Income and Poverty
  - Educational Attainment
  - Unemployment
  - Language and Literacy
  - Geography (The 5 Connecticuts)
  - Access to food (Food Deserts)
  - Housing
  - Public Safety
  - Exposure to Crime & Violence
  - Recreation
  - Transportation
- **Overarching Behavioral:**
  - Nutrition
  - Weight Status (Overweight, Obesity)
  - Physical Activity
  - Tobacco Use

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

**GENOMICS**

**STRATEGIC THEMES:**
- Education & Training
- Policy & Advocacy
- Data, Surveillance, & Evaluation