

SHIP Policy Agendas	2017	2018	2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>TOBACCO</b> – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Raise the age to purchase tobacco and electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) products from 18 years of age to 21 years of age. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Public Act 19-13 – Signed by Governor 06-18-2019</b> – Raises age to purchase tobacco and vaping products to 21 years.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. <b>Tax parity for other tobacco products and Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems (ENDS)</b> to match the current cigarette tax <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Public Act 18-109 – Signed by the Governor 06-07-2018</b> Sale of ENDS treated like other tobacco products – must be kept behind the counter</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. <i>(Upgrade Clean Indoor Air Laws to meet national recommendations for comprehensive law. Remove pre-emption clauses that hinder local tobacco control authority. – 2017 &amp; 2018 )</i></li> <li>d. <b>Tobacco Trust Fund Allocations</b> – advocate for appropriate and sustainable Tobacco Trust Fund allocations for education, prevention, and cessation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	✓	✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Community Health Worker Certification</b> – establish certification standards (2019) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Public Act 17-74 - Signed by Governor 06-30-2017</b> to define Community Health Worker</li> <li>b. <b>Public Act 19-117 – Signed by Governor 06-26-2019</b> establish Community Health Worker Certification</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	✓		✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. <b>Seatbelt use for all seating positions in automobiles</b> – update current law to include rear seated passengers in automobiles</li> </ol>	✓	✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. <b>Motorcycle Helmet Use by Operators and Passengers</b> –adequate head protection</li> </ol>	✓	✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. <b>Paid Family and Medical Leave</b> – require employers to provide paid Family and Medical Leave <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Public Act 19-25 – Signed by Governor 06-25-2019</b> Establish Paid Family Medical Leave Fund for eligible employees</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	✓	✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. <b>Property Maintenance Code (PMC)</b> – Connecticut adoption of 2015 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC)</li> </ol>	✓	✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. <b>Opioids</b> – support evidence based treatment and prevention efforts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Public Act 19-38 – Signed by Governor 06-21-2019</b> penalties for the sale of fentanyl</li> <li>b. <b>Public Act 19-159 – Signed by Governor 07-08-2019</b> mental health and substance use disorder benefits</li> <li>c. <b>Public Act 19-191 – Signed by Governor 07-09-2019</b> addressing opioid use</li> <li>d. <b>Public Act 19-169 – Signed by Governor 07-08-2019</b> extends good Samaritan protections when Narcan stored in cabinet with AED</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		✓	✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. <b>REL (Race, Ethnicity, and Language) Data Collection Standards</b> – improve standardization of demographic data collection</li> </ol>			✓
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. <b>Cancer Prevention: Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) Vaccine</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Public Act 17-2 – Signed by Governor 10-31-2017</b> – included funding for education and Universal HPV vaccine (two-dose series) for children ages 11 and 12.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	✓		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. <b>Safe Drinking Water</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Public Act 18-168 – Signed by Governor 06-13-2018</b> - requires public drinking water systems to review the age and condition of the water system’s infrastructure</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		✓	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. <b>Immunizations</b> – allow the release of aggregate immunization data for each school in Connecticut</li> </ol>		✓	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <b>Lead Paint Assessment Fee</b> – create sustainable funding source to fund lead paint abatement projects for low income family housing.</li> </ol>		✓	

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a. <b>Public Act 18-160 – Signed by Governor 06-13-2018</b> - surcharge added to certain insurance policies and establishing the Healthy Homes Fund – 15% of surcharge funds collected to be used for lead abatement			
12. <b>Medicare Shared Savings Program &amp; Medicaid Eligibility/Cuts</b> – restore funding cuts that affect income and access to health care for 113,000 Connecticut residents. a. <b>Funds Restored end of 2018 session</b>		✓	
13. <b>Funding for public health agencies</b> – advocate for funding for state and local public health agencies to support prevention and health improvement.		✓	
14. <b>Integration of Local Health Districts</b> – integration into larger health districts to improve health equity for all Connecticut residents and to better facilitate leveraging of resources.	✓		