Health Care Cabinet
Operating Principles
(Approved June 14, 2016)

1. **Commitment to Impact:** Contribute to the improved physical, behavioral, and oral health of all Connecticut residents as seen in the following:
   a. The number of individuals and/or constituencies affected
   b. The depth and/or intensity of the problem
   c. Reduction of barriers and burdens for those most vulnerable
   d. The time frame in which change can occur
   e. The cost effectiveness of health and health care purchasing that promotes value and optimal health outcomes.
   f. A health insurance marketplace that provides consumers a competitive choice of affordable and quality options.

2. **Equity in health care delivery and access:** Recommendations incorporate the goal of reducing disparities based on race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation.

3. **Leverage:** Recommendations must:
   a. Make the best use of past and current knowledge and expertise.
   b. Maximize the opportunities provided through initiatives from the public and private sector.
   c. Be informed by data and evidence-based practice and research.
   d. Be sustainable.

4. **Accountability and Transparency:** Be fully accountable to the public in a transparent process that meets the objectives of Public Act 11-58.
   a. Identify and measure outcomes that demonstrate meaningful results
   b. Maintain consumer-driven goals throughout the process

5. **Inclusion:** Ensure that there are meaningful opportunities to obtain a broad cross-section of views from all stakeholders, including consumers, communities, small business, payers, providers and government.

6. **Action:** All recommendations must take into account implementation and position of Connecticut to seize opportunities.