# Access Health CT SHOP Advisory Committee Meeting

August 24, 2021



# AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and Introductions
- B. Public Comment
- C. Review and Approval of Minutes
- D. Review of 2021 SHOP Metrics
- E. Recap & Results of 2021 Campaign Efforts
- F. Overview of 2022 Marketing Strategy
- G. Adjournment

# SHOP Enrollment \*\*\*

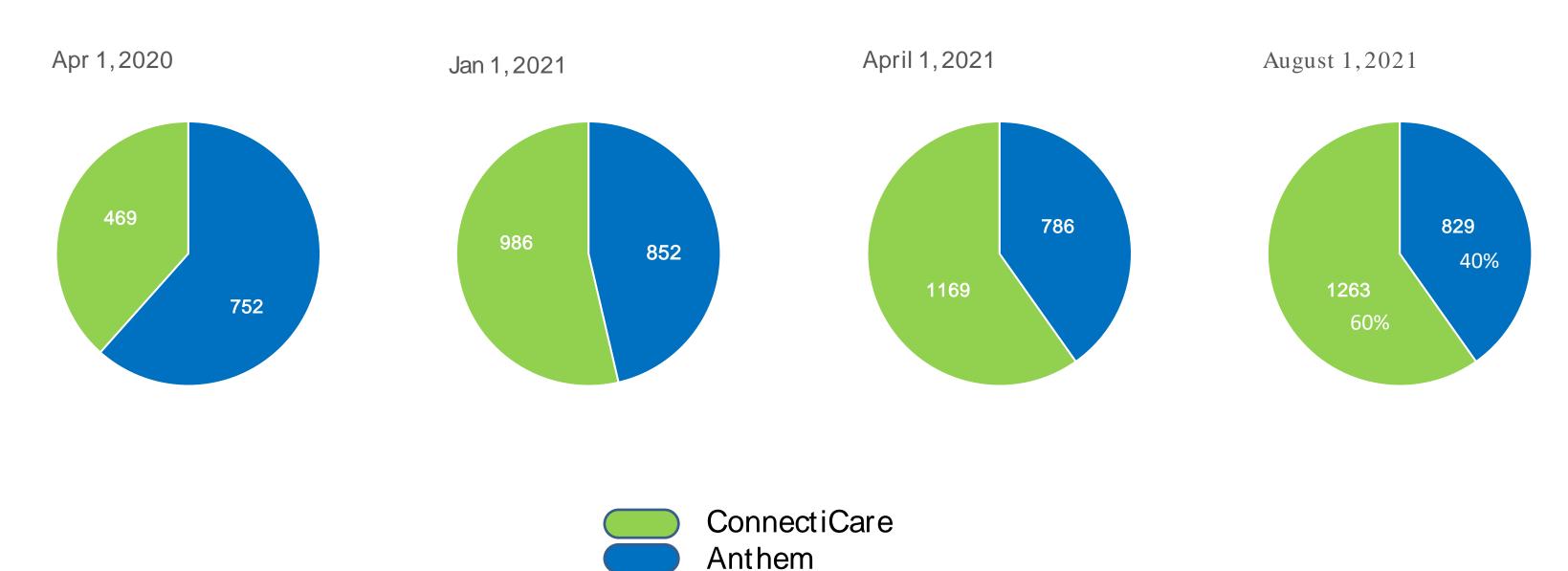
	Aug 1 2021	Apr 1 2021	Jan 1 2021	Apr 1 2020 (start of pandemic)	% Increase since Jan 1	% Increase since start of pandemic		
Groups	460	443	430	278	7.0%	65.5%		
Subscribers	1390	1278	1301	776	6.8%	79.1%		
Members	2092	1955	1838	1211	13.8%	72.7%		
Average size group	4.55	4.41	4.27	4.36	6.4%	4.3%		

# SHOP Demographics



		Male	Female	Total			
	< 19	9.05%	8.87%	17.92%			
	19 - 34	15.02%	13.42%	28.44%			
Ā	35 - 54	18.1%	17.68%	35.78%			
	55+	9.4%	8.46%	17.86%			
	TOTAL	51.57%	48.43%	100%			

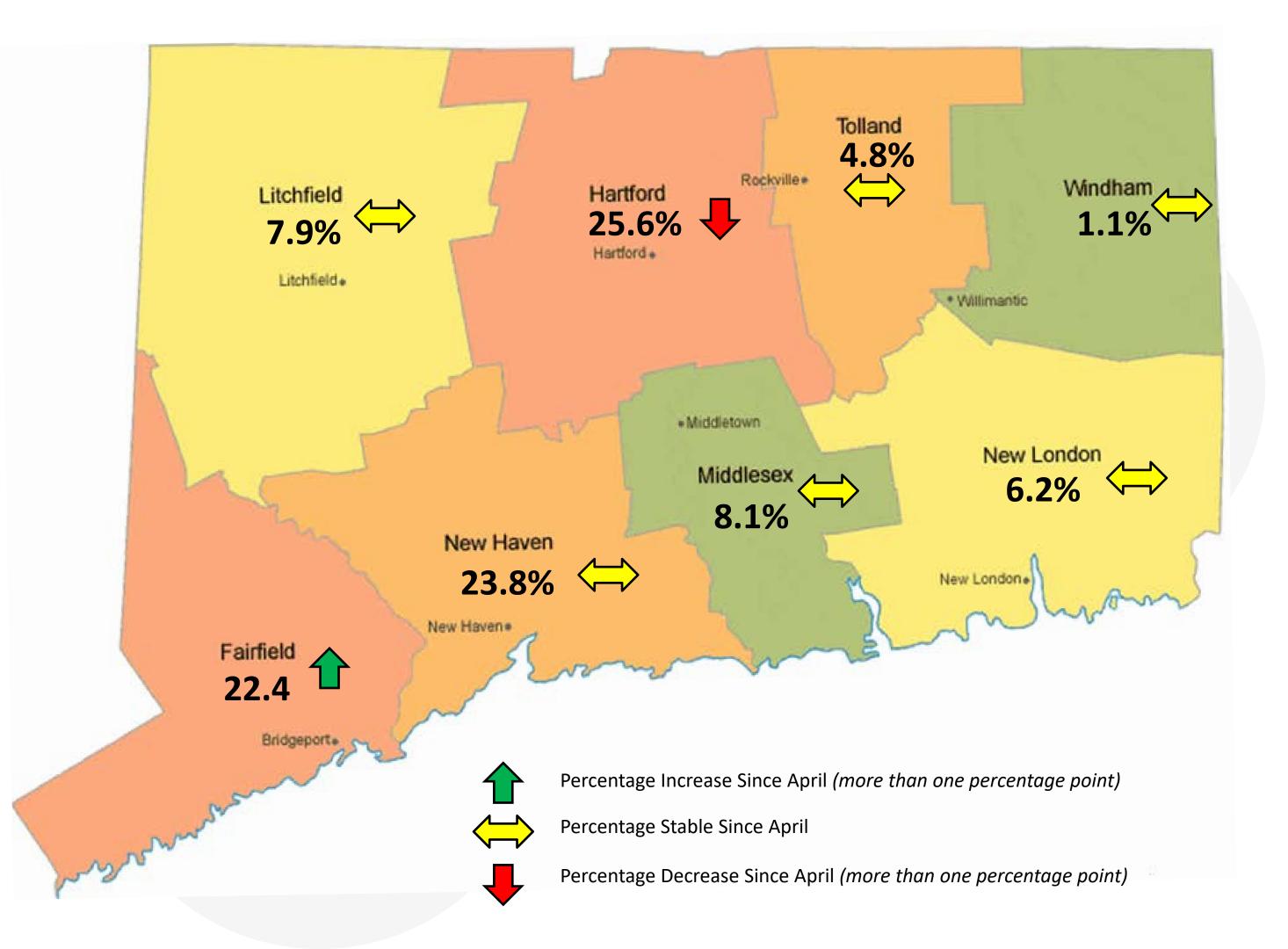
# SHOP Enrollment By Carrier





# Percentage of Enrolled SHOP Members By County:

Enrolled Members by County as of 08/2021	# of Members in each County	% of Members by County
Fairfield	469	22.4%
Litchfield	166	7.9%
Hartford	536	25.6%
Middlesex	169	8.1%
New Haven	498	23.8%
New London	130	6.2%
Tolland	100	4.8%
Windham	24	1.1%
TOTAL	2092	100%

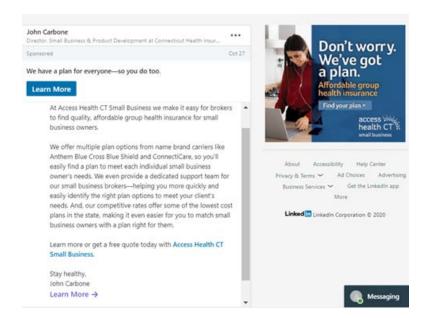


Recap & Results of FY21 Campaign Efforts

# FY21 Marketing Campaign Overview

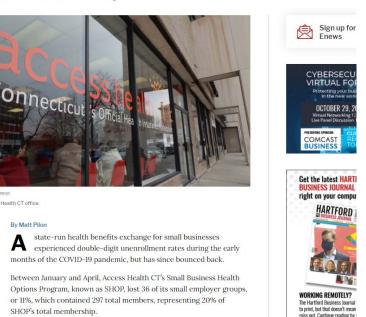
- Communications + Campaign Message—We've Got a Plan: We offer an affordable group health insurance plan to fit each small business owners' unique goals and needs.
- Campaign Goals and Target Audience: Build awareness of Access Health CT Small Business in order to continue to grow new membership through increased leads and connections, retain current membership (annual renewals) and increase leads and connections with new and existing brokers.
- Media Campaign Timing: October 2020 June 2021.



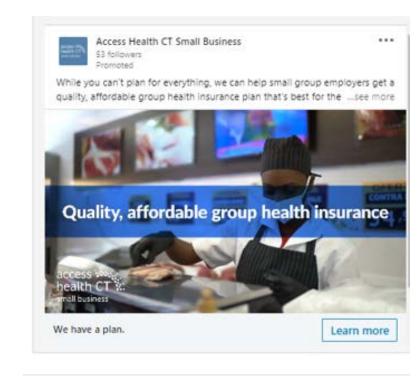




#### Access Health CT's small biz exchange rebounds from COVID-19 dip



SHOP has long struggled with low enrollment and last year launched





Affordable group health insurance for you and your employees.

AccessHealthCTsmallbiz.com



## FY21 Results



**Digital Advertising** 



Website



Website



**Earned/PR** 

14,591,144

**Delivered Impressions** 

(**+9.5M** increase from FY20)

34,949

Sessions

(+17K increase from FY20)

57,723

**Pageviews** 

(+30K increase from FY20)

689,272

Potential impressions

(10 pieces of earned coverage and

**5** press releases)



**Paid Search** 



Social media



Website



**Community** 

4.34%

Click-through rate

(+65% higher than benchmark)

+557

Followers across all platforms

32,518

**Events** 

(+18% increase from FY20)

8

Community events

(+2 increase from FY20)

## FY22 Campaign

# FY 2022 Marketing Plan

The integrated marketing approach will continue to focus on reaching **small business owners** and **brokers**. As the current small business healthcare landscape continues to change due to new legislation, such as the American Rescue Plan, we've adjusted our strategy to support both the small business and broker communities in different ways in an effort to reinforce trust and support of the SHOP brand.

This year we will build on the momentum of the 2021 campaign and transition our paid efforts to focus more on lead generation, evolve owned and shared assets to account for a new creative direction, and take earned media and community outreach to a new level by leveraging our creative approach and show brokers and business owners how we support them.

# An Integrated Approach

#### **Paid Media**

Continue to build momentum with targeted and unique paid media opportunities.

Maintain awareness tactics while starting to drive more towards lead gen – specifically to SBOs.

#### **Owned**

Build on the new digital platform to evolve and increase lead generation.

Enhance current - and develop new - content that can position SHOP as a trusted partner and resource.

#### **Earned**

Develop on the established positive media traction with new "news" expanding the key message that SHOP is a member of the community that small businesses can count on.

Content will look to position SHOP as thought leaders and resources in the eyes of business owners & brokers —as well as those that influence them.

#### Community

Statewide outreach efforts to position SHOP as a leader and innovator. A combination of one-on-one, virtual and inperson activations to connect with statewide community groups to foster small business and broker relations.

Integrate hyper-local community opportunities in key areas.

# An Integrated Approach: Measuring Success

#### **Paid Media**

#### **Areas of Measurement**

- Creative campaign engagement (reach, impressions, clicks, views, comments, etc.)
- Post-click website & content engagement and followthrough

#### **Owned**

#### **Areas of Measurement**

- Website activity & form submissions (leads)
  - Video engagement
  - Email engagement
- Direct mail response
- Thought leadership content (downloads, referrals, etc.)
- Social Media followership, engagement, impressions

#### **Earned**

#### **Areas of Measurement**

- Alerts and press releases delivered
  - Publicity placements
  - Speaking engagements
    - Content developed

### Community

#### **Areas of Measurement**

- College & community partnerships
- Virtual spotlights with SBOs
- Podcast/webinar/panel opportunities
- Tabling/local community activities & participation

# Audience



#### **Small Business Owners**

Reaching small business owners in Connecticut is at the forefront of the campaign with the majority of *paid* media tactics focused on targeting SBO.



#### **Brokers**

Supporting small group brokers in Connecticut with *owned* materials and resources is a key part of the FY 2022 plan. Brokers will also be reached through community and spillover of paid/earned.



#### **Community Partners**

Chambers, associations and legislative contacts help to communicate SHOP's messaging and create furthered reach.

## **Business Goals**

- Continue to increase new membership through increased leads and connections
- Retain current membership (annual renewals)
- Continue to increase leads and connections with new and existing brokers

### **Communication Goals**

- Continue to grow Access Health CT Small Business through meaningful relationships with brokers and small business owners
- Be the reliable and unbiased resource for brokers and small businesses in Connecticut – specifically as it relates to ACA and small business group benefits
- Educate and inform brokers and small business owners about their options for health insurance available through Access Health CT Small Business and Access Health CT
- Develop a program that not only fills the pipeline for broker and carrier partners, but also supports ongoing audience relationship building
- Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to AHCT's mission and help reduce the number of uninsured small businesses in Connecticut

# **Creative Evolution: Coming Together**

Look & feel / Inspiration











Copy and headlines evoke a feeling of community coming together with hope for the future.



## **Paid Media Partners**











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## Media Schedule

Television														
Media Partner	Run Dates	Ad Unit	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
WTNH This Week in CT with Dennis House	Oct-Dec	:15 spot plus Billboard												
WTIC														
WFSB-Morning Business Report	Sept-Nov, Jan-March	:10 spot plus billboard												
WFSB-Small Business Spotlight	Oct-Dec	:10 spot plus billboard, logo												
Total Television Cost														
Audio														
Media Partner	Run Dates	Ad Type	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Pandora	Oct-Dec, March-April	:15-:30 audio and video spots with companion banner												
WNPR Stories	Sep-Nov, Jan-Feb	I-minute segments will air in Morning Edition or All Things Considered												
Total Audio Cost														
Print														
Media Partner	Run Dates	Ad Type	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Hartford Business Journal/New Haven Biz	September, January, May	Thought Leadership Advertorial					HBJ		NHB			HBJ	NHB	
Hartford Business Journal/New Haven Biz	September	Special Edition Magazine												
Outdoor														
Media Partner	Post Dates	Ad Type	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Wilkins Outdoor	Oct-Dec, April-June	Torrington, Middletown, New London, Newington												
Wilkins Outdoor	November	Bridgeport												
Parkville Market	September-February	Instagrammable Wall												
Yard Goats	6/7-9/19	Digital Marquee & Video Board												
Yard Goats	September 5	Theme Game												

# Media Schedule Continued

Digital															
Media Partner	Run Dates	Ad Type	June FY21	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Reach Local	July-June	Text Ads													
Facebook	July-June	Sponsored Posts w/Lead Gen													
LinkedIn.com	July-June	Sponsored Posts w/Lead Gen and InMails													
HBJ Today/New Haven Biz E- Newsletters	September, January	Thought Leadership Advertorial Promotion													
HBJ Today/New Haven Biz E- Newsletters	Oct-Dec, March-June														
WFSB-Morning Business Report	Sept-Nov, Jan-March	Wallpaper, Facebook Live													
WFSB-Small Business Spotlight	Oct-Dec	Various Size Banner Ads, logo													
WTNH This Week in CT with Dennis House	Oct-Dec	Facebook Handshake Post													
WTIC															
WNPR Stories	Sep-Nov, Jan-Feb	300x250 Banner Ad													
SmartBrief	June	Various Size Banner Ads													
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Madison Logic	June	Various Size Banner Ads													
Simpli.fi	Oct-Dec, April-June	:30 spot													

## THANK YOU