

BASIC APPROACH TO COVERAGE AND COST

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COMPONENTS OF HEALTH CARE REFORM – COMPARISON OF SCOPE

Components	Federal PPACA 2010	Massachusetts 2006	Connecticut SustiNet (2009 legislation)
ACCESS to COVERAGE			
Individual health insurance mandate	✓	✓	
Premium subsidies	✓	✓	✓ (study feasibility)
Medicaid expansion	✓	✓	✓
Employer responsibility for offering health insurance	✓	✓	
Health insurance Exchange	✓	✓	
Individuals may buy in	✓	✓	✓ (to public plan)
Small businesses may buy in	✓	✓ (implemented 2009)	✓ (to public plan)
Insurance market reforms	✓	✓	✓
Covered benefits requirements	✓ General guidance	✓ Minimal Creditable Coverage	✓
QUALITY, COST, INFRASTRUCTURE			
Medical home	✓ Demos/Pilots	(pilot under development)	✓
Quality & safety	✓ Demos/Pilots	(HC Quality & Cost Council established to investigate)	✓
Preventive health	✓ Demos/Pilots	(Connector included minimal standards)	✓
Disparities & equity	✓ Demos/Pilots	(Health Disparities Council established to investigate)	✓
Obesity prevention	✓ Demos/Pilots		✓
Tobacco prevention	✓ Demos/Pilots		✓
Electronic Health Records and Electronic Data Interchange	(addressed in ARRA & HITECH)		✓
Workforce	✓ Demos/Pilots		✓

Color key: Dark shading = Mandated in law. Light shading = Optional or related activity. No shading = no provision.

MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH CARE REFORM VS. SUSTINET – COMPARISON OF SCOPE

