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## **COMPTROLLER KEVIN LEMBO**

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### ***COMPTROLLER LEMBO LAUNCHES CT PARTNERSHIP PLAN*** ***WILL PROVIDE SAVINGS PROJECTIONS TO TOWNS, CITIES AND BOARDS OF ED***

Comptroller Kevin Lembo today announced that his office is launching the CT Partnership Plan – a health plan option that could potentially save towns, cities and boards of education significant money.

Under a state law adopted last year, the CT Partnership Plan allows non-state governments – including towns, cities and boards of education – to join the state health plan effective July 1, 2012.

Over 50 municipal employers analyzed so far would receive lower premium rates under the CT Partnership plan – 30 percent of those with rate reductions greater than five percent.

“The CT Partnership Plan is officially open for business to all non-state government employees, including Connecticut towns, cities and boards of education,” Lembo said. “The goal is to provide towns and cities with lower health care costs and long-term price stability, while also offering quality health care to employees.

“Our initial analysis of more than 50 municipal employers revealed significant savings of five to eight percent in some cases – real money for municipalities seeking local property tax relief.”

Lembo thanked the Healthcare Cost Containment Committee and its representatives from management and labor for their support in preparing for the CT Partnership Plan.

At this stage, Lembo is in the process of reaching out to mayors, first selectmen, superintendents, other municipal financial officials and bargaining units to guide them through the enrollment process, and identify what their municipality’s specific savings potential might be based on recent claims data. As part of that outreach, Lembo recently spoke before the Connecticut

**Association of Boards of Education and the Connecticut Council of Small Towns.**

**To provide examples of the savings potential, in one case a municipal employer with 600 employees received a savings analysis of 7 percent on average, based on recent claims; another group with 200 employees found a savings of over 8 percent; and a group just under 2,000 employees found a savings potential of 5 percent.**

**Municipal officials can obtain more information by calling the Office of the State Comptroller's Healthcare Analysis Unit at 860-702-3560 or by emailing [PartnershipPlan@po.state.ct.us](mailto:PartnershipPlan@po.state.ct.us).**

**Detailed information about the CT Partnership Plan, how the plan works, and how municipalities can proceed, is also available on the Office of the State Comptroller's website at [www.osc.ct.gov](http://www.osc.ct.gov).**

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