

May 3, 2017

The Honorable Patty Murray
US Senate
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murray:

We, the undersigned medical and public health organizations, thank you for introducing the Save Women's Preventive Care Act. This legislation would codify the Women's Preventive Services Guidelines, established by the Affordable Care Act (ACA), helping safeguard these landmark women's health protections.

The ACA requires private health plans to cover women's preventive services without cost-sharing in an effort to improve women's health across the lifespan. The list of covered services is based on clinical relevance and reflects the latest medical and scientific evidence.

Thanks to this coverage, over 55 million insured women have access to vital health care services, including breast and cervical cancer screening, breastfeeding services and supplies, contraception, screening for interpersonal and domestic violence, counseling for sexually transmitted infections, screening for HIV infection, screening for gestational diabetes, and well-woman preventive visits. These services both improve women's health and save money. In one year, women across the country saved approximately \$1.4 billion on out-of-pocket costs for contraception alone. These services have become a part of the fabric of our nation's health care.

Your legislation is critically important to combating congressional and administrative efforts to turn back the clock on women's health. We look forward to working with you to advance this important legislation.

Sincerely,

American Academy of Pediatrics
Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
Academy of Women's Health
American Association of Birth Centers
American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
American Medical Student Association
American Medical Women's Association
American Nurses Association
American Psychological Association
American Public Health Association
American Society for Reproductive Medicine
Association of Reproductive Health Professionals
Association of State Public Health Nutritionists

Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses
Baby Café USA
GLMA: Health Professionals Advancing LGBT Equality
Healthy Children Project
Lamaze International
The Milk Mob
Mom2Mom Global
The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health
National Association of County and City Health Officials
National Birth Equity Collaborative
National Coalition of STD Directors
National Family Planning & Reproductive Health Association
National Medical Association
Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Physicians for Reproductive Health
Society of Family Planning
Society of Gynecologic Oncology
Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine
U.S. Breastfeeding Committee
U.S. Lactation Consultant Association