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To expand access to preventive health care services that help reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce the number of abortions, and improve access to women’s health care.

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Ms. SLAUGHTER (for herself, Mr. SIMMONS, Ms. DEGETTE, and Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To expand access to preventive health care services that help reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce the number of abortions, and improve access to women’s health care.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Prevention First Act”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Findings.

TITLE I—TITLE X OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT

Sec. 101. Short title.

Sec. 102. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE II—FAMILY PLANNING STATE EMPOWERMENT

Sec. 201. Short title.

Sec. 202. State option to provide family planning services and supplies to additional low-income individuals.

Sec. 203. State option to extend the period of eligibility for provision of family planning services and supplies.

TITLE III—EQUITY IN PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE AND CONTRACEPTIVE COVERAGE

Sec. 301. Short title.

Sec. 302. Amendments to Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Sec. 303. Amendments to Public Health Service Act relating to the group market.

Sec. 304. Amendment to Public Health Service Act relating to the individual market.

TITLE IV—EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

Sec. 401. Short title.

Sec. 402. Emergency contraception education and information programs.

TITLE V—COMPASSIONATE ASSISTANCE FOR RAPE EMERGENCIES

Sec. 501. Short title.

Sec. 502. Survivors of sexual assault; provision by hospitals of emergency contraceptives without charge.

TITLE VI—TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION

Sec. 601. Short title.

Sec. 602. Teenage pregnancy prevention.

TITLE VII—ACCURACY OF CONTRACEPTIVE INFORMATION

Sec. 701. Short title.

Sec. 702. Accuracy of contraceptive information.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 The Congress finds as follows:

3 (1) Although the Centers for Disease Control
4 and Prevention (referred to in this section as the
5 “CDC”) included family planning in its published

1 list of the Ten Great Public Health Achievements in
2 the 20th Century, the United States still has one of
3 the highest rates of unintended pregnancies among
4 industrialized nations.

5 (2) Each year, 3,000,000 pregnancies, nearly
6 half of all pregnancies, in the United States are un-
7 intended, and nearly half of unintended pregnancies
8 end in abortion.

9 (3) In 2002, 34,000,000 women—half of all
10 women of reproductive age (ages 15–44)—were in
11 need of contraceptive services and supplies to help
12 prevent unintended pregnancy, and half of those
13 were in need of public support for such care.

14 (4) The United States also has the highest rate
15 of infection with sexually transmitted diseases of any
16 industrialized country. In 2003 there were approxi-
17 mately 19,000,000 new cases of sexually transmitted
18 diseases. According to the CDC (November 2004),
19 these sexually transmitted diseases impose a tremen-
20 dous economic burden with direct medical costs as
21 high as \$15,500,000,000 per year.

22 (5) Increasing access to family planning serv-
23 ices will improve women’s health and reduce the
24 rates of unintended pregnancy, abortion, and infec-
25 tion with sexually transmitted diseases. Contracep-

1 tive use saves public health dollars. Every dollar
2 spent on providing family planning services saves an
3 estimated \$3 in expenditures for pregnancy-related
4 and newborn care for Medicaid alone.

5 (6) Contraception is basic health care that im-
6 proves the health of women and children by enabling
7 women to plan and space births.

8 (7) Women experiencing unintended pregnancy
9 are at greater risk for physical abuse and women
10 having closely spaced births are at greater risk of
11 maternal death.

12 (8) The child born from an unintended preg-
13 nancy is at greater risk of low birth weight, dying
14 in the first year of life, being abused, and not receiv-
15 ing sufficient resources for healthy development.

16 (9) The ability to control fertility also allows
17 couples to achieve economic stability by facilitating
18 greater educational achievement and participation in
19 the workforce.

20 (10) The average American woman desires two
21 children and spends five years of her life pregnant
22 or trying to get pregnant and roughly 30 years try-
23 ing to prevent pregnancy. Without contraception, a
24 sexually active woman has an 85 percent chance of
25 becoming pregnant within a year.

1 (11) The percentage of sexually active women
2 ages 15 through 44 who were not using contracep-
3 tion increased from 5.4 percent to 7.4 percent in
4 2002, an increase of 37 percent, according to the
5 CDC. This represents an apparent increase of
6 1,430,000 women and could raise the rate of unin-
7 tended pregnancy.

8 (12) Many poor and low-income women cannot
9 afford to purchase contraceptive services and sup-
10 plies on their own. 12,100,000 or 20 percent of all
11 women ages 15 through 24 were uninsured in 2002,
12 and that proportion has increased by 10 percent
13 since 1999.

14 (13) Public health programs like Medicaid and
15 title X (of the Public Health Service Act), the na-
16 tional family planning program, provide high-quality
17 family planning services and other preventive health
18 care to underinsured or uninsured individuals who
19 may otherwise lack access to health care.

20 (14) Medicaid is the single largest source of
21 public funding for family planning services and HIV/
22 AIDS care in the United States. Half of all public
23 dollars spent on contraceptive services and supplies
24 in the United States are provided through Medicaid
25 and approximately 5,500,000 women of reproductive

1 age—nearly one in 10 women between the ages of
2 15 and 44—rely on Medicaid for their basic health
3 care needs.

4 (15) Each year, title X services enable Ameri-
5 cans to prevent approximately 1,000,000 unintended
6 pregnancies, and one in three women of reproductive
7 age who obtains testing or treatment for sexually
8 transmitted diseases does so at a title X-funded clin-
9 ic. In 2003, title X-funded clinics provided
10 2,800,000 Pap tests, 5,100,000 sexually transmitted
11 disease tests, and 526,000 HIV tests.

12 (16) The increasing number of uninsured, stag-
13 nant funding, health care inflation, new and expen-
14 sive contraceptive technologies, and improved but ex-
15 pensive screening and treatment for cervical cancer
16 and sexually transmitted diseases, have diminished
17 the ability of title X funded clinics to adequately
18 serve all those in need. Taking inflation into ac-
19 count, funding for the title X program declined by
20 58 percent between 1980 and 2003.

21 (17) While Medicaid remains the largest source
22 of subsidized family planning services, States are
23 facing significant budgetary pressures to cut their
24 Medicaid programs, putting many women at risk of
25 losing coverage for family planning services.

1 (18) In addition, eligibility for Medicaid in
2 many States is severely restricted leaving family
3 planning services financially out of reach for many
4 poor women. Many States have demonstrated tre-
5 mendous success with Medicaid family planning
6 waivers that allow them to expand access to Med-
7 icaid family planning services. However, the admin-
8 istrative burden of applying for a waiver poses a sig-
9 nificant barrier to States that would like to expand
10 their coverage of family planning programs through
11 Medicaid.

12 (19) As of January of 2005, 21 States offered
13 expanded family planning benefits as a result of
14 Medicaid family planning waivers. The cost-effective-
15 ness of these waivers was affirmed by a recent eval-
16 uation funded by the Centers for Medicare & Med-
17 icaid. This evaluation of six waivers found that all
18 such programs resulted in significant savings to both
19 the Federal and State governments. Moreover, the
20 researchers found measurable reductions in unin-
21 tended pregnancy.

22 (20) Although employer-sponsored health plans
23 have improved coverage of contraceptive services and
24 supplies, largely in response to State contraceptive
25 coverage laws, there is still significant room for im-

1 provement. The ongoing lack of coverage in health
2 insurance plans, particularly in self-insured and indi-
3 vidual plans, continues to place effective forms of
4 contraception beyond the financial reach of many
5 women.

6 (21) Including contraceptive coverage in private
7 health care plans saves employers money. Not cov-
8 ering contraceptives in employee health plans costs
9 employers 15 to 17 percent more than providing
10 such coverage.

11 (22) Approved for use by the Food and Drug
12 Administration, emergency contraception is a safe
13 and effective way to prevent unintended pregnancy
14 after unprotected sex. It is estimated that the use of
15 emergency contraception could cut the number of
16 unintended pregnancies in half, thereby reducing the
17 need for abortion. New research confirms that easier
18 access to emergency contraceptives does not increase
19 sexual risk-taking or sexually transmitted diseases.

20 (23) In 2000, 51,000 abortions were prevented
21 by the use of emergency contraception. Increased
22 use of emergency contraception accounted for up to
23 43 percent of the total decline in abortions between
24 1994 and 2000.

1 (24) A February 2004 CDC study of declining
2 birth and pregnancy rates among teens concluded
3 that the reduction in teen pregnancy between 1991
4 and 2001 suggests that increased abstinence and in-
5 creased use of contraceptives were equally respon-
6 sible for the decline. As such, it is critically impor-
7 tant that teens receive accurate, unbiased informa-
8 tion about contraception.

9 (25) Thirteen percent of all teens give birth be-
10 fore age 20. 88 percent of births to teens age 17 or
11 younger were unintended. 24 percent of Hispanic fe-
12 males gave birth before the age of 20. (CDC, De-
13 cember 2004.)

14 (26) The American Medical Association, the
15 American Nurses Association, the American Acad-
16 emy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetri-
17 cians and Gynecologists, the American Public Health
18 Association, and the Society for Adolescent Medi-
19 cine, support responsible sexuality education that in-
20 cludes information about both abstinence and con-
21 traception.

22 (27) Teens who receive sex education that in-
23 cludes discussion of contraception are more likely
24 than those who receive abstinence-only messages to

1 delay sex and to have fewer partners and use contra-
2 ceptives when they do become sexually active.

3 (28) Government-funded abstinence only pro-
4 grams are precluded from discussing contraception
5 except to talk about failure rates. A December 2004
6 review of federally-funded abstinence-only programs
7 by the United States House of Representatives Com-
8 mittee on Government Reform (Minority Staff)
9 found that many federally funded abstinence-only
10 program curricula distort public health data and
11 misrepresent the effectiveness of contraception. In-
12 formation on the effectiveness of condoms, in pre-
13 venting pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases,
14 including HIV, was often highly inaccurate.

15 **TITLE I—TITLE X OF PUBLIC** 16 **HEALTH SERVICE ACT**

17 **SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.**

18 This Act may be cited as the “Title X Family Plan-
19 ning Services Act of 2005”.

20 **SEC. 102. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

21 For the purpose of making grants and contracts
22 under section 1001 of the Public Health Service Act, there
23 are authorized to be appropriated \$643,000,000 for fiscal
24 year 2006, and such sums as may be necessary for each
25 subsequent fiscal year.

1 **TITLE II—FAMILY PLANNING**
2 **STATE EMPOWERMENT**

3 **SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Family Planning State
5 Empowerment Act”.

6 **SEC. 202. STATE OPTION TO PROVIDE FAMILY PLANNING**
7 **SERVICES AND SUPPLIES TO ADDITIONAL**
8 **LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title XIX of the Social Security
10 Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating section 1936 as section
12 1937; and

13 (2) by inserting after section 1935 the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “STATE OPTION TO PROVIDE FAMILY PLANNING SERV-
16 ICES AND SUPPLIES TO ADDITIONAL LOW-INCOME
17 INDIVIDUALS

18 “SEC. 1936. (a) IN GENERAL.—A State may elect
19 (through a State plan amendment) to make medical assist-
20 ance described in section 1905(a)(4)(C) available to any
21 individual not otherwise eligible for such assistance—

22 “(1) whose family income does not exceed an
23 income level (specified by the State) that does not
24 exceed the greatest of—

1 “(A) 200 percent of the income official
2 poverty line (as defined by the Office of Man-
3 agement and Budget, and revised annually in
4 accordance with section 673(2) of the Commu-
5 nity Services Block Grant Act) applicable to a
6 family of the size involved;

7 “(B) in the case of a State that has in ef-
8 fect (as of the date of the enactment of this sec-
9 tion) a waiver under section 1115 to provide
10 such medical assistance to individuals based on
11 their income level (expressed as a percent of the
12 poverty line), the eligibility income level as pro-
13 vided under such waiver; or

14 “(C) the eligibility income level (expressed
15 as a percent of such poverty line) that has been
16 specified under the plan (including under sec-
17 tion 1902(r)(2)), for eligibility of pregnant
18 women for medical assistance; and

19 “(2) at the option of the State, whose resources
20 do not exceed a resource level specified by the State,
21 which level is not more restrictive than the resource
22 level applicable under the waiver described in para-
23 graph (1)(B) or to pregnant women under para-
24 graph (1)(C).

1 “(b) FLEXIBILITY.—A State may exercise the au-
2 thority under subsection (a) with respect to one or more
3 classes of individuals described in such subsection.”.

4 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1905(a) of
5 such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is amended, in the matter
6 before paragraph (1)—

7 (1) by striking “and” at the end of clause (xii);

8 (2) by adding “and” at the end of clause (xiii);

9 and

10 (3) by inserting after clause (xiii) the following
11 new clause:

12 “(xiv) individuals described in section 1936, but
13 only with respect to items and services described in
14 paragraph (4)(C),”.

15 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 this section apply to medical assistance provided on and
17 after October 1, 2005.

18 **SEC. 203. STATE OPTION TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF ELIGI-**
19 **BILITY FOR PROVISION OF FAMILY PLAN-**
20 **NING SERVICES AND SUPPLIES.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(e) of the Social Se-
22 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(e)) is amended by adding at
23 the end the following new paragraph:

24 “(13) At the option of a State, the State plan may
25 provide that, in the case of an individual who was eligible

1 for medical assistance described in section 1905(a)(4)(C),
 2 but who no longer qualifies for such assistance because
 3 of an increase in income or resources or because of the
 4 expiration of a post-partum period, the individual may re-
 5 main eligible for such assistance for such period as the
 6 State may specify, but the period of extended eligibility
 7 under this paragraph shall not exceed a continuous period
 8 of 24 months for any individual. The State may apply the
 9 previous sentence to one or more classes of individuals and
 10 may vary the period of extended eligibility with respect
 11 to different classes of individuals.”.

12 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 13 subsection (a) apply to medical assistance provided on and
 14 after October 1, 2005.

15 **TITLE III—EQUITY IN PRESCRIP-**
 16 **TION INSURANCE AND CON-**
 17 **TRACEPTIVE COVERAGE**

18 **SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE.**

19 This Act may be cited as the “Equity in Prescription
 20 Insurance and Contraceptive Coverage Act”.

21 **SEC. 302. AMENDMENTS TO EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT IN-**
 22 **COME SECURITY ACT OF 1974.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart B of part 7 of subtitle
 24 B of title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security

1 Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1185 et seq.) is amended by add-
2 ing at the end the following:

3 **“SEC. 714. STANDARDS RELATING TO BENEFITS FOR CON-**
4 **TRACEPTIVES.**

5 “(a) REQUIREMENTS FOR COVERAGE.—A group
6 health plan, and a health insurance issuer providing health
7 insurance coverage in connection with a group health plan,
8 may not—

9 “(1) exclude or restrict benefits for prescription
10 contraceptive drugs or devices approved by the Food
11 and Drug Administration, or generic equivalents ap-
12 proved as substitutable by the Food and Drug Ad-
13 ministration, if such plan or coverage provides bene-
14 fits for other outpatient prescription drugs or de-
15 vices; or

16 “(2) exclude or restrict benefits for outpatient
17 contraceptive services if such plan or coverage pro-
18 vides benefits for other outpatient services provided
19 by a health care professional (referred to in this sec-
20 tion as ‘outpatient health care services’).

21 “(b) PROHIBITIONS.—A group health plan, and a
22 health insurance issuer providing health insurance cov-
23 erage in connection with a group health plan, may not—

24 “(1) deny to an individual eligibility, or contin-
25 ued eligibility, to enroll or to renew coverage under

1 the terms of the plan because of the individual's or
2 enrollee's use or potential use of items or services
3 that are covered in accordance with the requirements
4 of this section;

5 “(2) provide monetary payments or rebates to
6 a covered individual to encourage such individual to
7 accept less than the minimum protections available
8 under this section;

9 “(3) penalize or otherwise reduce or limit the
10 reimbursement of a health care professional because
11 such professional prescribed contraceptive drugs or
12 devices, or provided contraceptive services, described
13 in subsection (a), in accordance with this section; or

14 “(4) provide incentives (monetary or otherwise)
15 to a health care professional to induce such profes-
16 sional to withhold from a covered individual contra-
17 ceptive drugs or devices, or contraceptive services,
18 described in subsection (a).

19 “(c) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section
21 shall be construed—

22 “(A) as preventing a group health plan
23 and a health insurance issuer providing health
24 insurance coverage in connection with a group
25 health plan from imposing deductibles, coinsur-

1 ance, or other cost-sharing or limitations in re-
2 lation to—

3 “(i) benefits for contraceptive drugs
4 under the plan or coverage, except that
5 such a deductible, coinsurance, or other
6 cost-sharing or limitation for any such
7 drug shall be consistent with those imposed
8 for other outpatient prescription drugs oth-
9 erwise covered under the plan or coverage;

10 “(ii) benefits for contraceptive devices
11 under the plan or coverage, except that
12 such a deductible, coinsurance, or other
13 cost-sharing or limitation for any such de-
14 vice shall be consistent with those imposed
15 for other outpatient prescription devices
16 otherwise covered under the plan or cov-
17 erage; and

18 “(iii) benefits for outpatient contra-
19 ceptive services under the plan or coverage,
20 except that such a deductible, coinsurance,
21 or other cost-sharing or limitation for any
22 such service shall be consistent with those
23 imposed for other outpatient health care
24 services otherwise covered under the plan
25 or coverage;

1 “(B) as requiring a group health plan and
2 a health insurance issuer providing health in-
3 surance coverage in connection with a group
4 health plan to cover experimental or investiga-
5 tional contraceptive drugs or devices, or experi-
6 mental or investigational contraceptive services,
7 described in subsection (a), except to the extent
8 that the plan or issuer provides coverage for
9 other experimental or investigational outpatient
10 prescription drugs or devices, or experimental
11 or investigational outpatient health care serv-
12 ices; or

13 “(C) as modifying, diminishing, or limiting
14 the rights or protections of an individual under
15 any other Federal law.

16 “(2) LIMITATIONS.—As used in paragraph (1),
17 the term ‘limitation’ includes—

18 “(A) in the case of a contraceptive drug or
19 device, restricting the type of health care pro-
20 fessionals that may prescribe such drugs or de-
21 vices, utilization review provisions, and limits on
22 the volume of prescription drugs or devices that
23 may be obtained on the basis of a single con-
24 sultation with a professional; or

1 “(B) in the case of an outpatient contra-
2 ceptive service, restricting the type of health
3 care professionals that may provide such serv-
4 ices, utilization review provisions, requirements
5 relating to second opinions prior to the coverage
6 of such services, and requirements relating to
7 preauthorizations prior to the coverage of such
8 services.

9 “(d) NOTICE UNDER GROUP HEALTH PLAN.—The
10 imposition of the requirements of this section shall be
11 treated as a material modification in the terms of the plan
12 described in section 102(a)(1), for purposes of assuring
13 notice of such requirements under the plan, except that
14 the summary description required to be provided under the
15 last sentence of section 104(b)(1) with respect to such
16 modification shall be provided by not later than 60 days
17 after the first day of the first plan year in which such
18 requirements apply.

19 “(e) PREEMPTION.—Nothing in this section shall be
20 construed to preempt any provision of State law to the
21 extent that such State law establishes, implements, or con-
22 tinues in effect any standard or requirement that provides
23 coverage or protections for participants or beneficiaries
24 that are greater than the coverage or protections provided
25 under this section.

1 “(f) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘out-
 2 patient contraceptive services’ means consultations, exami-
 3 nations, procedures, and medical services, provided on an
 4 outpatient basis and related to the use of contraceptive
 5 methods (including natural family planning) to prevent an
 6 unintended pregnancy.”.

7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
 8 in section 1 of the Employee Retirement Income Security
 9 Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1001) is amended by inserting
 10 after the item relating to section 713 the following:

“714. Standards relating to benefits for contraceptives.”.

11 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 12 this section shall apply with respect to plan years begin-
 13 ning on or after January 1, 2006.

14 **SEC. 303. AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT**
 15 **RELATING TO THE GROUP MARKET.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart 2 of part A of title
 17 XXVII of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
 18 300gg–4 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the
 19 following:

20 **“SEC. 2707. STANDARDS RELATING TO BENEFITS FOR CON-**
 21 **TRACEPTIVES.**

22 “(a) REQUIREMENTS FOR COVERAGE.—A group
 23 health plan, and a health insurance issuer providing health
 24 insurance coverage in connection with a group health plan,
 25 may not—

1 “(1) exclude or restrict benefits for prescription
2 contraceptive drugs or devices approved by the Food
3 and Drug Administration, or generic equivalents ap-
4 proved as substitutable by the Food and Drug Ad-
5 ministration, if such plan or coverage provides bene-
6 fits for other outpatient prescription drugs or de-
7 vices; or

8 “(2) exclude or restrict benefits for outpatient
9 contraceptive services if such plan or coverage pro-
10 vides benefits for other outpatient services provided
11 by a health care professional (referred to in this sec-
12 tion as ‘outpatient health care services’).

13 “(b) PROHIBITIONS.—A group health plan, and a
14 health insurance issuer providing health insurance cov-
15 erage in connection with a group health plan, may not—

16 “(1) deny to an individual eligibility, or contin-
17 ued eligibility, to enroll or to renew coverage under
18 the terms of the plan because of the individual’s or
19 enrollee’s use or potential use of items or services
20 that are covered in accordance with the requirements
21 of this section;

22 “(2) provide monetary payments or rebates to
23 a covered individual to encourage such individual to
24 accept less than the minimum protections available
25 under this section;

1 “(3) penalize or otherwise reduce or limit the
2 reimbursement of a health care professional because
3 such professional prescribed contraceptive drugs or
4 devices, or provided contraceptive services, described
5 in subsection (a), in accordance with this section; or

6 “(4) provide incentives (monetary or otherwise)
7 to a health care professional to induce such profes-
8 sional to withhold from covered individual contracep-
9 tive drugs or devices, or contraceptive services, de-
10 scribed in subsection (a).

11 “(c) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section
13 shall be construed—

14 “(A) as preventing a group health plan
15 and a health insurance issuer providing health
16 insurance coverage in connection with a group
17 health plan from imposing deductibles, coinsur-
18 ance, or other cost-sharing or limitations in re-
19 lation to—

20 “(i) benefits for contraceptive drugs
21 under the plan or coverage, except that
22 such a deductible, coinsurance, or other
23 cost-sharing or limitation for any such
24 drug shall be consistent with those imposed

1 for other outpatient prescription drugs oth-
2 erwise covered under the plan or coverage;

3 “(ii) benefits for contraceptive devices
4 under the plan or coverage, except that
5 such a deductible, coinsurance, or other
6 cost-sharing or limitation for any such de-
7 vice shall be consistent with those imposed
8 for other outpatient prescription devices
9 otherwise covered under the plan or cov-
10 erage; and

11 “(iii) benefits for outpatient contra-
12 ceptive services under the plan or coverage,
13 except that such a deductible, coinsurance,
14 or other cost-sharing or limitation for any
15 such service shall be consistent with those
16 imposed for other outpatient health care
17 services otherwise covered under the plan
18 or coverage;

19 “(B) as requiring a group health plan and
20 a health insurance issuer providing health in-
21 surance coverage in connection with a group
22 health plan to cover experimental or investiga-
23 tional contraceptive drugs or devices, or experi-
24 mental or investigational contraceptive services,
25 described in subsection (a), except to the extent

1 that the plan or issuer provides coverage for
2 other experimental or investigational outpatient
3 prescription drugs or devices, or experimental
4 or investigational outpatient health care serv-
5 ices; or

6 “(C) as modifying, diminishing, or limiting
7 the rights or protections of an individual under
8 any other Federal law.

9 “(2) LIMITATIONS.—As used in paragraph (1),
10 the term ‘limitation’ includes—

11 “(A) in the case of a contraceptive drug or
12 device, restricting the type of health care pro-
13 fessionals that may prescribe such drugs or de-
14 vices, utilization review provisions, and limits on
15 the volume of prescription drugs or devices that
16 may be obtained on the basis of a single con-
17 sultation with a professional; or

18 “(B) in the case of an outpatient contra-
19 ceptive service, restricting the type of health
20 care professionals that may provide such serv-
21 ices, utilization review provisions, requirements
22 relating to second opinions prior to the coverage
23 of such services, and requirements relating to
24 preauthorizations prior to the coverage of such
25 services.

1 “(d) NOTICE.—A group health plan under this part
2 shall comply with the notice requirement under section
3 714(d) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act
4 of 1974 with respect to the requirements of this section
5 as if such section applied to such plan.

6 “(e) PREEMPTION.—Nothing in this section shall be
7 construed to preempt any provision of State law to the
8 extent that such State law establishes, implements, or con-
9 tinues in effect any standard or requirement that provides
10 coverage or protections for enrollees that are greater than
11 the coverage or protections provided under this section.

12 “(f) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘out-
13 patient contraceptive services’ means consultations, exami-
14 nations, procedures, and medical services, provided on an
15 outpatient basis and related to the use of contraceptive
16 methods (including natural family planning) to prevent an
17 unintended pregnancy.”.

18 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
19 this section shall apply with respect to group health plans
20 for plan years beginning on or after January 1, 2006.

21 **SEC. 304. AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT**
22 **RELATING TO THE INDIVIDUAL MARKET.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part B of title XXVII of the Pub-
24 lic Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg–41 et seq.) is
25 amended—

1 (1) by redesignating the first subpart 3 (relat-
2 ing to other requirements) as subpart 2; and

3 (2) by adding at the end of subpart 2 the fol-
4 lowing:

5 **“SEC. 2753. STANDARDS RELATING TO BENEFITS FOR CON-**
6 **TRACEPTIVES.**

7 “The provisions of section 2707 shall apply to health
8 insurance coverage offered by a health insurance issuer
9 in the individual market in the same manner as they apply
10 to health insurance coverage offered by a health insurance
11 issuer in connection with a group health plan in the small
12 or large group market.”.

13 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
14 this section shall apply with respect to health insurance
15 coverage offered, sold, issued, renewed, in effect, or oper-
16 ated in the individual market on or after January 1, 2006.

17 **TITLE IV—EMERGENCY CONTRA-**
18 **CEPTION EDUCATION AND IN-**
19 **FORMATION**

20 **SEC. 401. SHORT TITLE.**

21 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Contracep-
22 tion Education Act”.

23 **SEC. 402. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION EDUCATION AND**
24 **INFORMATION PROGRAMS.**

25 (a) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

1 (1) EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION.—The term
2 “emergency contraception” means a drug or device
3 (as the terms are defined in section 201 of the Fed-
4 eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321))
5 or a drug regimen that is—

6 (A) used after sexual relations;

7 (B) prevents pregnancy, by preventing ovu-
8 lation, fertilization of an egg, or implantation of
9 an egg in a uterus; and

10 (C) approved by the Food and Drug Ad-
11 ministration.

12 (2) HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.—The term
13 “health care provider” means an individual who is li-
14 censed or certified under State law to provide health
15 care services and who is operating within the scope
16 of such license.

17 (3) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The
18 term “institution of higher education” has the same
19 meaning given such term in section 1201(a) of the
20 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1141(a)).

21 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
22 the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

23 (b) EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION PUBLIC EDU-
24 CATION PROGRAM.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
2 through the Director of the Centers for Disease
3 Control and Prevention, shall develop and dissemi-
4 nate to the public information on emergency contra-
5 ception.

6 (2) DISSEMINATION.—The Secretary may dis-
7 seminate information under paragraph (1) directly
8 or through arrangements with nonprofit organiza-
9 tions, consumer groups, institutions of higher edu-
10 cation, Federal, State, or local agencies, clinics and
11 the media.

12 (3) INFORMATION.—The information dissemi-
13 nated under paragraph (1) shall include, at a min-
14 imum, a description of emergency contraception, and
15 an explanation of the use, safety, efficacy, and avail-
16 ability of such contraception.

17 (c) EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION INFORMATION
18 PROGRAM FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting
20 through the Administrator of the Health Resources
21 and Services Administration and in consultation
22 with major medical and public health organizations,
23 shall develop and disseminate to health care pro-
24 viders information on emergency contraception.

1 (2) INFORMATION.—The information dissemi-
2 nated under paragraph (1) shall include, at a min-
3 imum—

4 (A) information describing the use, safety,
5 efficacy and availability of emergency contra-
6 ception;

7 (B) a recommendation regarding the use of
8 such contraception in appropriate cases; and

9 (C) information explaining how to obtain
10 copies of the information developed under sub-
11 section (b), for distribution to the patients of
12 the providers.

13 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
14 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
15 \$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2006 through
16 2010.

17 **TITLE V—COMPASSIONATE AS-**
18 **SISTANCE FOR RAPE EMER-**
19 **GENCIES**

20 **SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.**

21 This Act may be cited as the “Compassionate Assist-
22 ance for Rape Emergencies Act”.

1 **SEC. 502. SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT; PROVISION BY**
2 **HOSPITALS OF EMERGENCY CONTRACEP-**
3 **TIVES WITHOUT CHARGE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Federal funds may not be pro-
5 vided to a hospital under any health-related program, un-
6 less the hospital meets the conditions specified in sub-
7 section (b) in the case of—

8 (1) any woman who presents at the hospital
9 and states that she is a victim of sexual assault, or
10 is accompanied by someone who states she is a vic-
11 tim of sexual assault; and

12 (2) any woman who presents at the hospital
13 whom hospital personnel have reason to believe is a
14 victim of sexual assault.

15 (b) ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS.—The conditions spec-
16 ified in this subsection regarding a hospital and a woman
17 described in subsection (a) are as follows:

18 (1) The hospital promptly provides the woman
19 with medically and factually accurate and unbiased
20 written and oral information about emergency con-
21 traception, including information explaining that—

22 (A) emergency contraception does not
23 cause an abortion; and

24 (B) emergency contraception is effective in
25 most cases in preventing pregnancy after un-
26 protected sex.

1 (2) The hospital promptly offers emergency
2 contraception to the woman, and promptly provides
3 such contraception to her on her request.

4 (3) The information provided pursuant to para-
5 graph (1) is in clear and concise language, is readily
6 comprehensible, and meets such conditions regarding
7 the provision of the information in languages other
8 than English as the Secretary may establish.

9 (4) The services described in paragraphs (1)
10 through (3) are not denied because of the inability
11 of the woman or her family to pay for the services.

12 (c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

13 (1) The term “emergency contraception” means
14 a drug, drug regimen, or device that—

15 (A) is used postcoitally;

16 (B) prevents pregnancy by delaying ovula-
17 tion, preventing fertilization of an egg, or pre-
18 venting implantation of an egg in a uterus; and

19 (C) is approved by the Food and Drug Ad-
20 ministration.

21 (2) The term “hospital” has the meanings given
22 such term in title XVIII of the Social Security Act,
23 including the meaning applicable in such title for
24 purposes of making payments for emergency services

1 to hospitals that do not have agreements in effect
2 under such title.

3 (3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary
4 of Health and Human Services.

5 (4) The term “sexual assault” means coitus in
6 which the woman involved does not consent or lacks
7 the legal capacity to consent.

8 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE; AGENCY CRITERIA.—This sec-
9 tion takes effect upon the expiration of the 180-day period
10 beginning on the date of enactment of this Act. Not later
11 than 30 days prior to the expiration of such period, the
12 Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register criteria for
13 carrying out this section.

14 **TITLE VI—TEENAGE**
15 **PREGNANCY PREVENTION**

16 **SEC. 601. SHORT TITLE.**

17 This title may be cited as the “Preventing Teen Preg-
18 nancy Act”.

19 **SEC. 602. TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION.**

20 Part P of title III of the Public Health Service Act
21 (42 U.S.C. 280g et seq.) is amended by inserting after
22 section 399N the following section:

23 **“SEC. 399N-1. TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS.**

24 “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may award on a
25 competitive basis grants to public and private entities to

1 establish or expand teenage pregnancy prevention pro-
2 grams.

3 “(b) GRANT RECIPIENTS.—Grant recipients under
4 this section may include State and local not-for-profit coa-
5 litions working to prevent teenage pregnancy, State, local,
6 and tribal agencies, schools, entities that provide after-
7 school programs, and community and faith-based groups.

8 “(c) PRIORITY.—In selecting grant recipients under
9 this section, the Secretary shall give—

10 “(1) highest priority to applicants seeking as-
11 sistance for programs targeting communities or pop-
12 ulations in which—

13 “(A) teenage pregnancy or birth rates are
14 higher than the corresponding State average; or

15 “(B) teenage pregnancy or birth rates are
16 increasing; and

17 “(2) priority to applicants seeking assistance
18 for programs that—

19 “(A) will benefit underserved or at-risk
20 populations such as young males or immigrant
21 youths; or

22 “(B) will take advantage of other available
23 resources and be coordinated with other pro-
24 grams that serve youth, such as workforce de-
25 velopment and after school programs.

1 “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds received by an entity
2 as a grant under this section shall be used for programs
3 that—

4 “(1) replicate or substantially incorporate the
5 elements of one or more teenage pregnancy preven-
6 tion programs that have been proven (on the basis
7 of rigorous scientific research) to delay sexual inter-
8 course or sexual activity, increase condom or contra-
9 ceptive use (without increasing sexual activity), or
10 reduce teenage pregnancy; and

11 “(2) incorporate one or more of the following
12 strategies for preventing teenage pregnancy: encour-
13 aging teenagers to delay sexual activity; sex and
14 HIV education; interventions for sexually active
15 teenagers; preventive health services; youth develop-
16 ment programs; service learning programs; and out-
17 reach or media programs.

18 “(e) COMPLETE INFORMATION.—Programs receiving
19 funds under this section that choose to provide informa-
20 tion on HIV/AIDS or contraception or both must provide
21 information that is complete and medically accurate.

22 “(f) RELATION TO ABSTINENCE-ONLY PROGRAMS.—
23 Funds under this section are not intended for use by absti-
24 nence-only education programs. Abstinence-only education
25 programs that receive Federal funds through the Maternal

1 and Child Health Block Grant, the Administration for
2 Children and Families, the Adolescent Family Life Pro-
3 gram, and any other program that uses the definition of
4 ‘abstinence education’ found in section 510(b) of the So-
5 cial Security Act are ineligible for funding.

6 “(g) APPLICATIONS.—Each entity seeking a grant
7 under this section shall submit an application to the Sec-
8 retary at such time and in such manner as the Secretary
9 may require.

10 “(h) MATCHING FUNDS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may not
12 award a grant to an applicant for a program under
13 this section unless the applicant demonstrates that
14 it will pay, from funds derived from non-Federal
15 sources, at least 25 percent of the cost of the pro-
16 gram.

17 “(2) APPLICANT’S SHARE.—The applicant’s
18 share of the cost of a program shall be provided in
19 cash or in kind.

20 “(i) SUPPLEMENTATION OF FUNDS.—An entity that
21 receives funds as a grant under this section shall use the
22 funds to supplement and not supplant funds that would
23 otherwise be available to the entity for teenage pregnancy
24 prevention.

25 “(j) EVALUATIONS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

2 “(A) conduct or provide for a rigorous
3 evaluation of 10 percent of programs for which
4 a grant is awarded under this section;

5 “(B) collect basic data on each program
6 for which a grant is awarded under this section;
7 and

8 “(C) upon completion of the evaluations
9 referred to in subparagraph (A), submit to the
10 Congress a report that includes a detailed state-
11 ment on the effectiveness of grants under this
12 section.

13 “(2) COOPERATION BY GRANTEES.—Each grant
14 recipient under this section shall provide such infor-
15 mation and cooperation as may be required for an
16 evaluation under paragraph (1).

17 “(k) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the
18 term ‘rigorous scientific research’ means based on a pro-
19 gram evaluation that:

20 “(1) Measured impact on sexual or contracep-
21 tive behavior, pregnancy or childbearing.

22 “(2) Employed an experimental or quasi-experi-
23 mental design with well-constructed and appropriate
24 comparison groups.

1 “(3) Had a sample size large enough (at least
2 100 in the combined treatment and control group)
3 and a follow-up interval long enough (at least six
4 months) to draw valid conclusions about impact.

5 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
6 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
7 \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2006, and such sums as may
8 be necessary for each subsequent fiscal year. In addition,
9 there are authorized to be appropriated for evaluations
10 under subsection (j) such sums as may be necessary for
11 fiscal year 2006 and each subsequent fiscal year.”.

12 **TITLE VII—ACCURACY OF**
13 **CONTRACEPTIVE INFORMATION**

14 **SEC. 701. SHORT TITLE.**

15 This title may be cited as the “Truth in Contracep-
16 tion Act”.

17 **SEC. 702. ACCURACY OF CONTRACEPTIVE INFORMATION.**

18 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any in-
19 formation concerning the use of a contraceptive provided
20 through any federally funded sex education, family life
21 education, abstinence education, comprehensive health
22 education, or character education program shall be medi-
23 cally accurate and shall include health benefits and failure
24 rates relating to the use of such contraceptive.

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