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## General Comment

Freedom of religion is an important construct of American life. Equally important is everyone's freedom from having religious beliefs imposed upon them. While these regulations strive to be accommodating to those whose beliefs deny contraceptive services to women, there is every possibility that employees of such believers will not share these beliefs. The loose community of believers under certain religious tents, do not share unanimously the whole canon of belief. Thus the effect of these regulations will be do deny equal services under the law based on an "employer's" beliefs.

Please reconsider.