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## General Comment

I strongly urge HHS to keep contraceptives for women a free and universal health care requirement in insurance policies. Over 95% of all women, of all religious and non-religious persuasions, will use contraceptives over their lifetimes. Contraceptive care is an integral part of a woman's health care throughout her lifetime.

Please, do NOT expand the exemptions categories. Religious organizations are already exempt. If certain religious organizations had their way, they would eliminate all access to contraceptives for all women, no matter their personal religious view. Religious freedom grants freedom FROM coercion by religions not your own as well as all its other rights. I as a non-believer should not be required to abide by the rules of a church I am not a member of.

Thank you,

Colleen Harper