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General Comment

Dear Secretary Sebelius,

With the U.S. unintended pregnancy rate at 50%, it is imperative that contraception care be incorporated into preventive health care service, at no cost to patients. It is well-documented (in the US and countries with national health systems) that preconception care including contraception is primary prevention for men and women, and access to wide-ranging contraceptive care is in the best interest of women's health, children, and our communities.

I urge you to support cost-sharing for preventive care services like contraception and include in coverage of primary care services.