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General Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern as a trained healthcare physician about this law and the negative impact on healthcare for women and the assault on the protection of a physician's conscience. To force a health provider to cover contraception which does not protect against the most sexually transmitted disease, (HPV), acts as an abortifacient, and is linked to increase rates of pre menopausal breast cancer, deep vein thrombosis and premature myocardial infarction is disgraceful. As a cardiologist, I see the negative effects of high dose estrogen on women and their hearts. Fertility is not a disease and I should not be forced to prescribe or deliver health care that may be detrimental to a women's health. I respect the women's right to choose her method of birth control but this should not be forced upon the insurance provider who will only pass on the cost to the average everyday American who pays his or her own premiums. This is a travesty with no respect to the religious freedoms this country was founded on and another argument for the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act not being constitutionally sound. America has a fantastic health care system that saves lives and delivers efficient affordable care every day and is better than any other country in the world. Please stop trying to ruin it.