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General Comment

I am writing to ask that you incorporate contraception into preventative health care service, at no cost to patients. It is cost-saving for the State to pay for contraception over the costs for health care for low-income and other women who have preventable pregnancies. In addition, the fiscal burden on the State of women who are unable to pay for contraception who have subsequent children is much higher than the cost of preventing those pregnancies in the first place. This is in perfect alignment with the reasons for covering preventive services.

Contraception is prevention! Delays in this are not acceptable!