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To Whom It May Concern:

I urge you in the strongest terms possible to rescind the intrusive, coercive mandate that all "contraceptives" and sterilization procedures be covered by private health insurance with no patient co-pay. This mandate clearly violates the spirit of conscience laws that prohibit government discrimination against any who object to health services on moral or religious grounds. No American should be forced by the federal government to subsidize services they object to. Please protect the conscience rights of insurers, providers and people like me who object to being forced to offer or subsidize contraceptives and sterilization services.

I strongly oppose the federal government forcing free insurance coverage on Americans for drugs and devices that can cause an abortion (such as ella and Plan B). At a minimum, authentic conscience protections should be expanded for any organizations with moral or religious objections that provide individual and group insurance.

I also urge you to revise the regulation's definition of "religious employer," which is so narrow it includes only churches and will result in forcing businesses and organizations to choose between either violating their conscience or being unable to offer employees health insurance.

Again, I urge you to reverse course and remove contraceptives and sterilizations from the list of mandatory preventive services.

Sincerely,  
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