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Please accept the recommendations of the Institute of Medicine to cover preventive care under the new health care law, and to reject any exemptions for “religious employers.”

I believe that “religious refusal” exemptions unjustly deny women access to contraceptive services. Some groups are pushing for the exemption to apply to religiously-run health providers, so hospitals with religious affiliations would be exempt from the coverage requirement, even though they employ people of all faiths and ideologies. If granted, this larger exemption would deny access to thousands of women just because of where they work.

I urge you to ensure women have access to quality preventive care by accepting IOM's recommendations and rejecting the proposed religious refusal exemption provisions.

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