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General Comment

In regard to the amendment providing an exemption from these guidelines to religious organizations, there is simply no reason to have such an amendment. It is my belief that the provision of contraception services and counseling are based on religiously-neutral public policy and allowing religious organizations exemption from it would actually be contrary to religious freedom in that it would essentially enshrine in law the preferences of religion over the needs of the actual recipients of care.