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The National Campaign Applauds the Introduction of the Save Women's Preventive Care Act

*Bill guarantees women continued coverage of all contraceptive methods without
co-pays or deductibles*

(Washington, DC)—The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy applauds the introduction yesterday of the *Save Women's Preventive Care Act* by Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA). The bill would protect the current women's preventive services provision from any future efforts to weaken or eliminate it. This bill includes a requirement that insurers cover all FDA approved contraceptive methods without out-of-pocket costs.

“We applaud this bill. It will protect access to the full range of contraception for millions of women—a basic part of women's health care,” said Ginny Ehrlich, CEO of The National Campaign. “When women have the opportunity to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant, they have greater educational and economic opportunities and stronger, healthier families, which not only benefits them, but our entire nation.”

It is estimated that more than 55 million women benefit from no-cost women's preventive services. Women have saved at least \$1.4 billion in out-of-pocket costs for birth control pills alone since the benefit went into effect, and there is evidence that the provision is increasing the ability of women to obtain more effective birth control methods for those who want them.

[Polling](#) from The National Campaign also shows 81% of adults (including 70% of Republicans and 90% of Democrats) agree that birth control is a basic part of women's health care.

“Our [polling](#) shows time and again that everyone loves birth control. We commend Sen. Murray for this bill recognizing the vital role it plays in women's lives and the need to protect full access to it,” Ehrlich stated. “We urge Congress to pass the *Save Women's Preventive Care Act*.”

About The National Campaign: The National Campaign is a private, non-partisan, non-profit organization that seeks to improve the lives and future prospects of children and

families by preventing teen and unplanned pregnancy. Please visit us at www.TheNationalCampaign.org or follow along on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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