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To Whom it May Concern,

On August 1, 2011, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), under the signature of its secretary, Kathleen Sebelius, issued new mandates concerning preventive health services to be covered by such insurance plans. These new mandates are an offense to my conscience. I believe contraceptive pills, abortifacients, IUD's and emergency contraceptives are unethical ways to treat a woman. I do not agree that they constitute legitimate, beneficial health care. Rather, they bring both short term and longterm harm to the patient. It is unethical to require insurance companies to cover these intrusions and a gross over-reaching of government authority into the doctor-patient relationship. As a physician, I would like to have my clinical judgement and conscience respected by my government. Please do not violate my freedom. Please allow individuals and companies the free choice to decide if they wish to pay for these harmful intrusions.

Sincerely,

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