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Dear sirs,

As a citizen of the United States, I strongly oppose mandating that private health care plans pay for procedures that are not considered ethically sound---at times according to the very institution's morals. For instance, you do not allow Catholic "universities, hospitals and charitable organizations that serve the general public" to not give birth control. This is undermining freedom of religion, in that the government is deciding what the people in the institution will believe. Unless, of course, you believe that people do not act on what they believe is right.

You can allow for freedom of religion on both sides by allowing the Catholic organizations to not give out birth control, because there are plenty of institutions that do provide it. The choices of others are not limited. Consider that you are being traitorous to the principles this country was founded on, and rescind this mandate that so obviously is un-American.

Sincerely,

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