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ATTENTION KATHLEEN SEBELIUS

It has been brought to our attention that contraception care will not be included in the Health Care Reform Law.

- Contraception is part preventive care for women, and access to wide-ranging contraceptive care is in the best interest of women's health, children, and our communities.
- This Health Care Reform Law needs to support cost-sharing for preventive care services like contraception.
- Unnecessary and unreasonable delays in access to contraceptive care as preventative health services are absolutely unacceptable!
- If contraceptive care is not a part of this reform law there could be an explosion of unintended birth that could impact and increase the costs of healthcare. Kings County currently has an 85% of unintended pregnancies. National rate is 50%.
- Thank you for prompt attention to the contraception issues for women.

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"Babies are hardwired to breastfeed"

"Exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months goes a long way toward canceling out the health differences between being born into poverty and being born into affluence." James P. Grant, Past Executive Director, UNICEF"

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