

DSCC: Vukmir supports lawsuit against pre-existing conditions coverage

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Oral arguments in lawsuit that could strip pre-existing conditions coverage for 2.4 million Wisconsinites begin today

Oral arguments in the Leah Vukmir-supported GOP lawsuit to strike down protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions begin today. The lawsuit would make the health care law's individual mandate unconstitutional, axing protections for pre-existing conditions coverage and skyrocketing health care costs.

Leah Vukmir is on the record saying she supports the lawsuit as a “[necessary step](#).”

In [June](#), the Justice Department decided it would not defend the health care law against a lawsuit by Republican Attorneys General intended to sabotage health care for Americans. Nearly three months later, as their lawsuit is being heard by a federal judge and Senate Republicans like Vukmir are scrambling to [rewrite their history](#) and [contain voter backlash](#) as they face a [backlash from voters](#).

Beyond the lawsuit, Leah Vukmir also supports two additional avenues for undermining the Affordable Care Act's protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions. Vukmir [supports](#) the Trump Administration's “junk insurance” rule that the [AARP says](#) would let insurance companies “deny coverage to people with preexisting conditions.” And Vice President Mike Pence himself [said last week](#) that Vukmir is a vote that Washington Republicans need in the Senate to repeal the Affordable Care Act and replace it with a GOP plan that would gut

protections for people with pre-existing conditions, strip coverage away from millions, and even let insurance companies charge older Americans more.

“By backing this lawsuit, Leah Vukmir is sending a clear message that she does not want to protect coverage for pre-existing conditions and cannot be trusted to stand up for Wisconsin,” said Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee spokesman David Bergstein. “Health care is a top issue for voters who want a senator that will stand up for their families – – by backing a toxic agenda that raises costs and cuts coverage, Vukmir has failed that test.”