

# WisDems: Count the ways: Leah Vukmir opposes pre-existing condition coverage protections

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*Vukmir supports three separate efforts to let insurers deny coverage to or take advantage of Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions — protections that 75 percent of Americans say are “very important”*

MADISON –Despite [facing increasing criticism](#) over her support for gutting vital protections for Wisconsinites who have pre-existing conditions, Republican Senate candidate Leah Vukmir continues to back multiple efforts to strike down [pre-existing coverage protections that 75 percent of Americans say are “very important,”](#) according to a just-released poll from the Kaiser Family Foundation.

“Facts are facts: 2.4 million Wisconsinites have pre-existing conditions, but true to her record of putting corporate special interests ahead of Wisconsin families, Leah Vukmir supports multiple efforts to return to the days when predatory insurance companies could discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions,” **said Brad Bainum, Democratic Party of Wisconsin spokesperson for the 2018 Senate race.**

[Vukmir backs multiple GOP efforts to return to the days of letting insurance companies deny coverage to people with pre-existing condition protections:](#)

**1. Vukmir supports repealing the Affordable Care Act’s protections for people with pre-existing conditions** — Vukmir is [campaigning on repealing the Affordable Care Act and gutting its protections](#) for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions. Vice President Mike Pence has [said that Vukmir is the vote that](#)

[Republicans need in the U.S. Senate](#) to pass a Republican repeal plan that would gut pre-existing condition protections.

**2. Vukmir supports striking down the Affordable Care Act's protections for people with pre-existing conditions** — Vukmir is supportive of Wisconsin Attorney General Brad Schimel's Gov. Scott Walker-endorsed lawsuit that seeks to dismantle the Affordable Care Act's protections for Wisconsinites who have pre-existing conditions.

**3. Vukmir supports GOP "junk insurance" plans that lets insurers discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions** — Vukmir [says she supports](#) the Trump Administration's rule to let insurance companies issue so called "junk insurance" plans, which [the AARP says](#) allows insurance companies to "deny coverage to people with preexisting conditions [...] and impose an age tax, charging older Americans much higher premiums." That's a stark contrast with Tammy Baldwin, who's [leading the fight to protect coverage protections for people with pre-existing conditions](#) by seeking to overturn Republicans' "junk insurance" plan rule.