

WisDems: Health care advocates hold “Protect Our Health Care” event

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Health care advocates to respond to Leah Vukmir and Scott Walker campaigning with Donald Trump

Vukmir and Walker have long supported Trump and Republican efforts to dismantle and gut federal protections for people with pre-existing conditions

WAUSAU — TOMORROW at 1:00 PM in WAUSAU, health care advocates and the Democratic Party of Wisconsin are holding a “Protect Our Health Care” press conference in response to President Donald Trump traveling to Wisconsin to boost Republican U.S. Senate candidate Leah Vukmir and Gov. Scott Walker, who have campaigned on dismantling the Affordable Care Act and gutting its key protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions.

Vukmir has said she would cast the deciding vote in the U.S. Senate to gut pre-existing condition protections, while Walker authorized the lawsuit that would gut those protections.

Event Details

WHAT:

“Protect Our Health Care” Event, with Health Care Advocates and state Rep. Katrina Shankland

WHEN:

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 1:00 PM

WHERE:

Marathon County Democratic Party Office

W 54403, 833 S 3rd Ave,
Wausau, WI 54401

RSVP:

Media interested in attending should email bradb@wisdems.org.

Background

Although [93 percent of Wisconsinites](#) say it's "Important" to maintain the Affordable Care Act's protections for people with pre-existing conditions, **Republican U.S. Senate candidate Leah Vukmir** and **Gov. Scott Walker** support **President Donald Trump** and Republicans' efforts to repeal, undermine, and dismantle the health care law and gut its protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions.

Last week, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell [reconfirmed](#) that Republicans plan to once again vote to gut federal protections for people with pre-existing conditions, if Vukmir is elected to the Senate. Previously, Vice President Mike Pence [praised Vukmir](#) as the would-be [deciding vote](#) to help Republicans repeal the Affordable Care Act. Likewise, Vukmir has [herself argued that she would be the key, deciding vote](#) to pass Republican priorities like repealing the health care law and gutting its protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions.

Like Vukmir, **Walker** has for years [called for the repeal](#) of the Affordable Care Act, including its protections for people with pre-existing conditions. And [Walker authorized](#) the Attorney General Brad Schimel-led lawsuit to strike down the health care law's protections for people with pre-existing conditions as unconstitutional.

Trump, like Pence before him, is campaigning for Walker and Vukmir because they support the Trump and Washington Republicans' dangerous health care repeal agenda, making it abundantly clear that health care and protections for Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions are on the ballot in November's election.