

WisDems: Vukmir and Nicholson: Protections for people with pre- existing conditions are unconstitutional

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Vukmir and Nicholson stand with Trump Administration's position that could threaten 133 million Americans' health care access

MADISON — Republican U.S. Senate candidates Leah Vukmir and Kevin Nicholson say they agree with Washington Republicans' position that protections preventing insurance companies from price-gouging or outright denying coverage to Wisconsinites with pre-existing conditions are “unconstitutional.”

Last week, the Trump Administration announced that it will no longer “defend the Affordable Care Act...because it agrees that the law's individual mandate is unconstitutional and that key parts of the act — including the provisions protecting those with pre-existing conditions — are invalid.”

Over the weekend, Vukmir and Nicholson indicated that they agree with the Trump Administration's assessment that the provisions ensuring coverage for people pre-existing conditions are “invalid” and unconstitutional.

According to the Department of Health and Human Services, 133 million Americans have a pre-existing condition that could threaten their ability to get health

insurance, if Vukmir, Nicholson, and Washington Republicans get their way.

“Leah Vukmir and Kevin Nicholson support Republicans’ dangerous health care market sabotage that’s driving up consumer costs, and they believe that insurance companies should be allowed to discriminate against and jack up prices on the more than 133 million Americans who have a pre-existing condition,” said Brad Bainum, DPW spokesperson for the 2018 Senate race. “Vukmir and Nicholson are bought and paid for by their corporate special interest mega-donors, and it’s clear that they have no qualms about throwing hardworking Wisconsinites under the bus.”