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Active Threat of Defunding Planned Parenthood Remains in ACA Repeal Bill

Washington, DC – The omnibus budget deal reached by Congress does not include a provision to “defund” Planned Parenthood, however, Republican leaders are still threatening to block Medicaid patients from seeking care at Planned Parenthood.

The Republican proposal to repeal the ACA, likely up for a vote this week, is anticipated to also include a provision to “defund” Planned Parenthood.

Statement from Nicole Safar, Director of Government Relations for Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin:

“Although not included in the omnibus budget bill, Speaker Paul Ryan is still threatening to block Medicaid patients from receiving care at Planned Parenthood through the House health care repeal bill.

“Plain and simple, ‘defunding’ Planned Parenthood would deny millions of women across the country access to cancer screenings, birth control, and STD testing and treatment and should be rejected.

“The one in five women who rely on Planned Parenthood don’t go to make a political statement. They go for health care. Speaker Ryan needs to listen to the [80% of the public who support Planned Parenthood, including his own constituents](#), who rely on Planned Parenthood and oppose blocking Medicaid patients from receiving care at Planned Parenthood.

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