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Vukmir responds to Anthem exiting the Obamacare individual market in Wisconsin

MADISON, Wis. — After hearing the news Wednesday that Anthem Health Insurance would be leaving the individual market for Obamacare in all but one county in Wisconsin, state Sen. Leah Vukmir, R–Brookfield, issued the following statement:

"Wisconsinites are again seeing how disastrous Obamacare is for their access to health insurance. We were lied to that 'if you liked your plan, you could keep it.' But how is that possible when insurers are fleeing the exchanges?

"As a nurse, I know how unsettling it is when an insurer no longer offers coverage and people are forced to participate in unfamiliar plans with new providers. And as a policy maker, I know how important it is for citizens across our state to have a smooth transition when disruption occurs in our health care markets.

"I call upon leadership in the U.S. Senate to repeal and replace Obamacare with a free-market solution that will increase options and lower the cost of health insurance. We can no longer gamble on the status quo.

"We at the state level are prepared to look at how to make sure that Wisconsinites can get care through innovative solutions we had before Obamacare. The state is where decisions about health policy should be made, and where we can have the most impact encouraging competition and expanding choice."

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