

A Resolution of Support for Women's Right to Contraception
from the
Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation (CUUC)
Women's Social Justice Team

WHEREAS, In October 2017, the Trump Administration issued a rule that would allow employers to refuse to cover contraception in their health insurance plan based on a “sincere religious or moral objection” (hereafter “this rule”); and

WHEREAS, this rule, allows any employer anywhere to refuse insurance coverage of any method of contraception; and

WHEREAS, this rule denies women's moral agency and bodily autonomy, and is rooted in the misogynistic belief that women cannot be trusted to make their own decisions about their reproductive lives; and

WHEREAS, this rule privileges under the law limited religious views of sexuality, thereby violating the religious freedom of millions of people who hold contrary views; and

WHEREAS, a person's healthcare coverage should not be determined by the religious or moral beliefs of their employer; and

WHEREAS, this rule harms people who need healthcare that some employers will choose not to provide.

WHEREAS, Unitarian Universalists covenant to affirm and promote the principle that every person has inherent worth and dignity; and

WHEREAS, our faith also teaches us to treat others as we wish to be treated and to care for those who are most vulnerable;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation at White Plains takes the position that employer-provided health insurance plans must provide comprehensive reproductive health coverage;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation affirms every woman's inherent right to comprehensive contraception coverage through health insurance.