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RE: Government Funding of Planned Parenthood Affiliates

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There is a growing outcry across the country to end taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood. Several states already do not give any money to Planned Parenthood and a number of others are moving in that direction. In addition, there is serious action at the federal level to prohibit Planned Parenthood from receiving taxpayer monies. Last year, an amendment to prohibit Planned Parenthood from receiving Title X monies garnered 45 percent of the votes in the United States House of Representatives.

Given all this activity, we are attempting to identify what impact, if any, there would be to South Carolina if Planned Parenthood were to become ineligible for government funding, specifically Title X monies.

The basic question we have is: How is South Carolina going to operate effectively without giving money to Planned Parenthood?

Some of the questions you may want to consider:

- Can your Health Department provide the services Planned Parenthood provides — if it gets additional funding?
- Is there any other organization that could receive the funds in the event that Planned Parenthood is made ineligible to receive them?
- Are there existing clinics that are eligible for various government grants that are not already receiving them?

Thank you for any information you can provide.

Sincerely,

Johanna E. Dasteel
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Ms. Johanna E. Dasteel
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Dear Ms. Dasteel:

Thank you for your recent inquiry regarding government funding of Planned Parenthood Affiliates. Your letter contains questions about the impact, if any, to South Carolina if Planned Parenthood were to become ineligible for government funding, specifically Title X funding. Public funding of family planning services in South Carolina occurs under two federal programs: Title XIX (Medicaid) and Title X.

The Department of Health and Human Services administers the Title XIX program. Under Title XIX, family planning services are provided under guidelines listed in Medicaid provider manuals. Any provider who meets the criteria listed and performs according to guidelines may enroll to provide services. You may locate the Medicaid provider manuals for services at our website, <http://www.scdhhs.gov>.

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) administers the Title X program and Health Department services. We are forwarding a copy of your letter to the Director of Family Planning at SCDHEC so that they can answer your questions about Title X capacity.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have additional questions, please contact Ms. Diane P. McLeod at (803) 898-4614.

Sincerely,


Felicity Myers
Deputy Director

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cc: Janet Sheridan

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