

At Planned Parenthood of New York City you can receive the same trusted, high-quality care you rely on. We understand that the election of President Trump is causing great concern to many of you. Below we have provided the answers to the questions we have most often received since November.



Q: Will my health insurance be terminated because of President Trump?

Trump has threatened to repeal the Affordable Care Act (ACA), also known as Obamacare, but the law is still in effect. People who are covered by a plan through the ACA will remain covered unless the law changes. If you use a plan purchased on the New York Health Exchange and get subsidies or if you are enrolled in Medicaid, nothing has changed.

Q: Will my insurance cover my birth control and for how long?

A: Yes. Right now, unless the law changes, insurance companies are required to cover your birth control without a co-pay or deductible. We don't know what changes will be made to the ACA or when, but as of now, the law has not changed.

Q: Can I still have an abortion and use my Medicaid?

A: Yes. If you live in New York State and are enrolled in Medicaid, the cost of your abortion will be covered New York State Medicaid funding that does not include any federal dollars. You can also come to PPNYC for preventive health care at any of our five centers with your Medicaid plan.

Q: Is PP out of money or getting defunded? Is that why you are so booked?

A: Defunding means that the federal government will no longer pay Planned Parenthood for taking care of people with Medicaid coverage for their health services. It does not mean that you cannot receive care from us—it means that PPNYC will not be reimbursed by Medicaid for that care. Since the election, we have seen a surge in appointments because people are concerned about losing their coverage. Planned Parenthood is committed to serving everyone, regardless of insurance or immigration status or ability to pay, and we are doing everything we can to ensure that continues. You can talk to us about any arrangements or other options that might be available for your care.

Q: Should I get an IUD or Implant as a long-term birth control so that I don't get pregnant?

A: You should choose the best birth control method for you. If you have a concern about your birth control or would like to change methods, PPNYC is here to help. IUDs and implants are very popular because they are long-acting and reversible — but birth control is not “one size fits all.” Our expert health care providers can help you find the birth control method that is best for you.

Q: Should I be worried about my appointment being canceled due to Trump defunding PP?

A: No. Your appointment will not be canceled due to defunding threats. Planned Parenthood sees patients regardless of insurance or immigration status or ability to pay. We intend to remain open and take care of our patients—as we have for the past 100 years.

Q: If Trump signs the bill to repeal the Affordable Care Act and how fast will that take affect?

A: We do not know when and what changes will be made to the Affordable Care Act. Right now, the law has not changed. Planned Parenthood is doing everything we can to continue to provide care for our patients.

Q: If I am in the US as a refugee or am an undocumented immigrant, will you report my status to the government?

A: At Planned Parenthood of New York City, our doors are open to everyone, including undocumented immigrants and refugees. We do not report anyone's documentation status to government authorities.

