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Wednesday at 5:00pm: Members of Congress, Advocates Rally to #ProtectX

*Hundreds expected at rally to speak out against
the Trump-Pence administration's dangerous Title X gag rule*

Media should RSVP to media.office@ppfa.org

Washington, D.C. — Despite mass outcry from the medical community and American people, the Trump-Pence administration released a final gag rule that will dismantle Title X — a national program dedicated to ensuring that millions of people struggling to make ends meet can still access reproductive health care like birth control, breast and cervical cancer screenings, and STD testing and treatment. The gag rule makes it illegal for Title X health care providers to refer patients for an abortion. This rule also includes language specifically designed to block patients from getting care at Planned Parenthood — even though Planned Parenthood serves 41 percent of the 4 million patients who rely on the the program for care.

Members of Congress, medical providers, patient advocates, and partner organizations will come together on Wednesday, March 13 at 5:00 p.m. for a rally on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. to stand up, speak out, and tell the Trump-Pence administration to protect their health care and rights and #ProtectX.

WHAT: [Protect X: Rally for our Health and Rights](#)

WHERE: Area 9, U.S. Capitol Grounds

WHEN: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET

SPEAKERS: **Dr. Leana Wen**, President, Planned Parenthood Federation of America
Members of Congress
Jessica Pinckney, Vice President of Government Affairs, In Our Own Voice: National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda
Ann Marie Benitez, Senior Director of Government Relations, National Latina Institute of Reproductive Health
Dr. Bailey Cannon, MD, MS, FACOG, Advocate Physicians for Reproductive Health Advocate
Dr. Perry Tsai, MD, PhD, President, American Medical Student Association
Liliana M. Alcaide, a patient from NJ who has relied on Title X
Elizabeth Figus, a patient from AK who has relied on Title X

Members of the media planning to attend should RSVP to media.office@ppfa.org. Planned Parenthood spokespeople and patient advocates will be available for interviews.

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