



Planned Parenthood Association of Utah

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Planned Parenthood Association of Utah supports Governor Herbert's Healthy Utah Plan. As a provider of reproductive health care to low-income Utahns, Planned Parenthood understands the importance of closing the coverage gap and providing affordable health insurance to all Utahns.

Having health insurance increases access to critical preventive care that keeps men, women, and families healthy. Investing in preventive care has an exponential return on investment when you are able to catch cancer early, prevent unintended pregnancies, or reduce the spread of STDs.

The current coverage gap, created by "doing nothing," leaves too many Utahns without access to vital health care. Alternative plans that fill a portion of the gap, or partially expand Medicaid will continue to leave too many men and women without coverage and don't make financial sense for the state.

We applaud Governor Herbert's guidance and due diligence when creating the Healthy Utah Plan, and encourage the Utah Legislature to work in collaboration with the Governor's office and other stakeholders to implement the plan in 2015.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karrie Galloway'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final 'y'.

Karrie Galloway
Chief Executive Officer