

Talking Points for Use with Members of Congress

- This week marks the one-year anniversary of the Affordable Care Act, one of the most significant advances for women's health in a generation.

But the anniversary is bittersweet as opponents of the new law continue their efforts to repeal and defund it.

- **Contact your Representative and Senators today and tell them to move forward *and* protect our care.**
- Remind them that **health reform is absolutely essential for women.**
Thanks to health reform:
 - Millions of women will finally have access to affordable health care;
 - Prevention will be a priority;
 - Women and children will no longer be denied coverage for pre-existing conditions, from breast cancer to C-sections to domestic violence;
 - Millions of women will be protected from insurance rescissions and caps on coverage when they need it most;
 - More nursing moms will have reasonable break time and a place to express breast milk at work;
 - Children can stay on their families' plans until age 26;
 - Care coordination, which is so important to those of us with multiple health problems, will improve; and
 - More family caregivers will get the supports they need.
- Urge your elected officials to stand strong in support of women's health.