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**PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS**

A Woman's Place  
AAUW Doylestown Branch  
AAUW Levittown-Lower Bucks Branch  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bucks County  
Bucks County Area Agency on Aging  
Bucks County Commissioners' Advisory Council for Women  
Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc.  
Bucks County Housing Group  
Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22  
Bucks County Opportunity Council  
Bucks County Workforce Development Board, Inc.  
BuxMont Unitarian Universalist Peace and Justice Committee  
Child, Home & Community  
Delaware Valley Association for the Education of Young Children  
Family Service Association of Bucks County  
Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County  
Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania  
Interfaith Community of Lower Bucks  
Keystone Progress  
LaVO Design  
League of Women Voters of Bucks County  
Libertae  
Makefield Area Action Fund of AAUW  
Maternity Care Coalition  
NAACP, Bucks County Branch  
National Council of Jewish Women – PA  
Network of Victim Assistance Pathways PA  
Planned Parenthood Keystone  
Public Citizens for Children and Youth  
Quality Child Care Coalition of Bucks County  
Sircely Marketing & Design  
Soroptimist International of Bucks County  
The Council of Southeast Pennsylvania  
The Peace Center  
Women's Center of Montgomery County  
YWCA Bucks County

**PARTNER INDIVIDUALS**

More Than 150 Individual Partners and Growing

Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick  
514 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Fitzpatrick:

With the opening of the 115<sup>th</sup> Legislative session, we urge you to oppose any attempts to repeal or dismantle the Affordable Care Act or to defund Planned Parenthood.

The Affordable Care Act has provided health insurance for over 20 million Americans. We cannot return to a time when people with pre-existing conditions were uninsurable; young adults in college or beginning their careers could not purchase affordable insurance; essential health benefits, including free coverage of preventive health services and family planning were uncovered; out-of-pocket health care costs resulted in bankruptcy; life-time insurance caps left people uncovered after years of paying for insurance; women could be charged more for health care than men; spouses and children were not covered by employers' policies; and the only access to health care for poor families were the ERs that only provide treatment for an emergency...no diabetes care, maternity care, or cancer treatment, for example.

Planned Parenthood has been a champion of health care services for woman. Without Planned Parenthood, many women will not be able to obtain affordable cancer screenings, birth control, and other important health and reproductive services. The cost to our health care system and women's lives due to the loss of Planned Parenthood's capability to provide preventive and diagnostic services would be catastrophic.

We look forward to hearing from you about what you are personally doing to stop the irresponsible plans to repeal the ACA without a replacement in place and defund Planned Parenthood.

The Bucks County Women's Advocacy Coalition, made up of 37 organization Partners and over 150 individual Partners, speak with one voice on issues impacting the health and economic security of women and their families.

Sincerely,

Tam St. Claire, President

Peggy Dator, Chair,  
Health & Safety Committee