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The Implementation of Accessible Emergency Contraceptives
to the Commonwealth Campuses

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Whereas, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments at Pennsylvania State University recognizes how important retention and equity is to sustain the Pennsylvania State University Campuses. Yet, it is a concern to how the problem of unsubsidized emergency contraceptives are throughout the commonwealth.

Whereas, The financial and logistical burden of purchasing emergency contraceptives poses a significant toll for many, especially college students. Many Penn State Commonwealth students do not have access to emergency contraception whether due to financial or transportation reasons.

Whereas, When students do have access to the product many are not fully informed on how to take the over-the-counter medication effectively.

Whereas, The availability and knowledge of emergency contraception is not available on most commonwealth campuses. With the implementation of accessibility to the over-the-counter medication Pennsylvania State Student Government will be promoting a sustainable and equitable solution to continue upholding the retention of students.

Be it resolved, to support the Pennsylvania State University's efforts to maintain an equitable and sustainable environment for students across its campuses, The Council of Commonwealth Student Governments at Pennsylvania State University, strongly recommends Penn State University Park's Health Services to provide the Commonwealth Campuses' Health Centers with emergency contraceptive at the competitive price of \$10 per dose. If a Commonwealth campus does not have a Health Center, we recommend leaving the decision to that respective campus where to sell the emergency contraceptive to their students.


Respectfully,
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Council Action

Vote 24:2:0 Pass: X Fail: Postponed:

Presidential Action

Approved: X Veto: Date: 4/23/2024



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