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I am writing in support of the Healthcare Provider Shield Bill ( HR 7577). As a primary care physician in RI working at a Federally funded community health center I know first hand the importance of supporting reproductive and LGBTQ rights. Our patients typically have no place else to turn to for primary care because so many providers do not have the knowledge and/or resources to manage their personal and gender specific health needs. We are also privileged in having the backing of federal statutes that protect us and our patients. I believe that no less should be provided for other providers in our state.

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