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Rhode Island General Assembly, State Senate  
Senate Health and Human Services Committee  
(Submitted electronically via [SLegislation@rilegislature.gov](mailto:SLegislation@rilegislature.gov))

Re: Support Senate Bill 2254

Dear Chair Murray and Members of the Committee:

Please accept the Rhode Island Health Center Association's letter of **support** for Senate Bill **2254**. This bill would update Rhode Island state law on contraception coverage to support access to all FDA-approved methods, limit insurer restrictions, require coverage of contraception-related services, and ensure no-cost-sharing coverage for FDA-approved over-the-counter contraception.

Access to affordable, reliable contraception is a vital component of preventive primary healthcare and plays a critical role in promoting individual health, public health, and economic stability. Barriers, whether financial, geographic, or policy-related, can disproportionately affect individuals and communities who are already underserved.

When people have access to contraception, they are better able to make informed decisions about their health, education, and future. Ensuring reproductive care coverage helps create a more accessible healthcare system.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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The Rhode Island Health Center Association health center members include:  
Blackstone Valley Community Health Care Inc.  
Comprehensive Community Action Program ~ East Bay Community Action Program  
Providence Community Health Centers ~ Thundermist Health Center  
Tri-County Community Action Agency ~ WellOne Primary Medical and Dental Care  
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