

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUITPLANNED PARENTHOOD OF MARYLAND,
INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

No. 20-2006

XAVIER BECERRA, as Secretary of Health and
Human Services, et al.,

Defendants-Appellants.

JOINT STATUS REPORT

This appeal involves a regulation issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that addressed the manner in which insurers bill for coverage of certain abortion services. *See* 84 Fed. Reg. 71,674 (Dec. 27, 2019). The district court vacated the regulation. Following the recent change in administration, the government moved to suspend appellate proceedings to allow new HHS agency officials sufficient time to become familiar with the issues in this case. The Court granted the government's motion and ordered the parties to file status reports at 60-day intervals.

HHS is working diligently to review the issues presented in this case. The parties therefore respectfully request that proceedings remain suspended, with the next status report due in 60 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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