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Deputy Commissioner Lester Crawford
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Subject: 2001P-0075, The Switch Status of EC from Rx to OTC

Dear Deputy Commissioner Lester Crawford,
I am writing to urge the Food and Drug Administration to make Plan B Emergency Contraception available over the counter without further delay and without unnecessary restrictions.

The FDA should follow the strong scientific evidence, unprecedented medical consensus and the recommendation of the two expert advisory committees which voted in overwhelming support of the over the counter switch at their December meeting.

This recommendation is supported by the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Society for Adolescent Medicine, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and over a dozen other leading medical and public health organizations. Over-the-counter access to Plan B® would represent a tremendous advance in women's health.

I urge swift FDA approval of Plan B®'s over-the-counter application without further delay. Politics should not get in the way of women having a second chance to prevent an unintended pregnancy.

Sincerely,

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