



Bill would expand Medicaid coverage for family planning services for persons whose income is at or below the income eligibility level for pregnant women (about \$24,230 for an individual based on 2019 FPL guidelines). This empowers more Nebraskans to get the care they need when they need it, regardless of income.

IN 2014

**118,170**  
NEBRASKA WOMEN  
needed public assistance  
for contraceptive services

This legislation is urgently needed because the typical American woman spends more than three-quarters of her reproductive life – about 30 years – trying to prevent pregnancy; access to safe and effective birth control methods is crucial to this prevention.

## Family planning services covered under this bill include:

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**SCREENING AND TREATMENT FOR BREAST CANCER**
  - About 1,500 breast cancer diagnoses in Nebraska each year<sup>1</sup>
  - Prevention and treatment may include mammograms, genetic testing for mutation of certain genes, and preventive medication for women with elevated breast cancer risk.<sup>2</sup>
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**CANCER PREVENTION VACCINATIONS**
  - Two strains of HPV cause about 70% of cervical cancers and pre-invasive cancers.<sup>3</sup> The HPV vaccination protects against both of those strains.
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**INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE SCREENING AND PREVENTION**
  - 1 in 6 pregnant US women are abused by a partner; those women are at an increased risk of low maternal weight, infections, high blood pressure, and delivering pre-term.
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**ALL 18 FDA-APPROVED CONTRACEPTIVE METHODS**
  - Reduces unintended pregnancies and protects and improves maternal and child health.

EVERY \$1 IN  
GOVERNMENT  
FUNDING INVESTED



**\$7.09**  
SAVINGS TO  
TAXPAYERS

## Investing in family planning services is fiscally responsible

At a time when Nebraska continues to struggle with balancing the state budget, this bill is common sense and fiscally responsible.

- After the initial investment in Year 1, it's estimated that the State **would achieve at least \$7.09 in savings for every \$1 invested**, annually.
- Colorado achieved between \$49 million and \$111 million in cost savings just from the removal of Medicaid birth-related costs (those births that did not occur because the unintended pregnancy never occurred).



= \$1 NEBRASKA + \$9 FEDERAL

<sup>1</sup><https://cancerstatisticscenter.cancer.org/#!/state/Nebraska>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.kff.org/report-section/medicaid-coverage-of-family-planning-benefits-results-from-a-state-survey-cervical-and-breast-cancer-services/>

<sup>3</sup>[https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/human-papillomavirus-\(hpv\)-and-cervical-cancer](https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/human-papillomavirus-(hpv)-and-cervical-cancer)