



APRN ALLIANCE

February 21, 2016

Senator Berta Gardner
State Capitol Room 9
Juneau AK 99801

RE: SB 156
"An act relating to insurance coverage for contraceptives..."

Dear Senator Gardner:

I am writing on behalf of the Alaska Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) Alliance in **strong support of SB 156**. The APRN Alliance is a group of nurse leaders representing nurse practitioners (CNP), nurse-midwives (CNM), nurse anesthetists (CRNAs), and clinical nurse specialists (CNSs) throughout Alaska. The Alliance is actively engaged in advocacy and policy issues which affect the interests of APRNs in Alaska.

The APRN Alliance strongly supports this common sense bill which provides women with a full year of contraceptive coverage following an initial three-month dispensing.

Sincerely,

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