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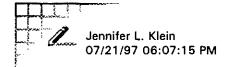
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Subject: Misc.

Chris and I were talking about the child care regulation, and we started to wonder whether it really makes sense to announce it at the immunization event. While it matters that the federal government will require proper immunization in child care centers it funds, the truth is that, according to CDC, the regulation won't cause many new children to be immunized (given the requirements that states already have in place). I worry a bit that the people talking to the press about the immunization rates (e.g., state health officers) will poo poo our initiative. I have our friend Bill Corr looking into this more carefully, so I'm not convinced yet, but when he gets back to Chris, you two may want to talk about it. Sorry for rambling, but I think you get the idea.

On contraception, Melanne asked me to hold off until next week so she and I can have a longer conversation about it. (I mentioned it on a call to her in Portugal.) So far we've learned that Medicaid covers contraception (90% paid for by the Federal government) and the Federal Employees Health Program's main plan (Blue Cross/Blue Shield) covers it on the same basis as other prescription drugs. I'm still stuck on the problem that we shouldn't get into the business of mandating coverage one body part at a time, but I do agree that it is a bit different since this bill would only put it on the same footing as other prescription drugs. I also learned at one of our Thursday morning "women's" meetings that requiring insurance companies to cover this polls very well. Anyway, more next week.

Health-immunization



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To: Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP, Christopher C. Jennings/OPD/EOP

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Subject: Immunization

There are other data in the MMWR that show that disease incidence for some diseases is actually up. My thought is to have the President allude to that in his remarks, i.e. we still have a long way to go, still have disease, but not explain in detail. The disease is mostly among adults, especially those who enter the country as adults.

Do you both agree with this approach?

Also, Elena, we are not announcing child care conference, right?



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To: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP, Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP

cc: Jennifer L. Klein/OPD/EOP

Subject: immunization

As you know from Jen, HRC wants to be involved in the immunization event and she is not available until the week of the 21st. Shalala is unavailable the 21 and 22nd, so right now we recommend trying to change the event to the 23rd. I'm happy to work through this with scheduling and communications, but wanted to check with you first to see if you want to offer an alternative event for the 14th.

Based on a conference call with Jen, Chris Jennings, and Melissa Skolfield, the participants of the event would be:

- POTUS
- HRC
- Real person (mother, or pediatrician)
- Jimmy Carter

Also on stage could be:

- Rosalyn Carter
- Sen. and Mrs. Bumpers
- Sec. Shalala

We will figure out a way for POTUS to have a photo-op with some 2 year old children and their parents -- perhaps a photo-op somewhere else in the Residence before the event or bringing them in at the end of the event.

Right now the event is scheduled for the East Room. The audience would include bipartisan Members of Congress, Governors, relevant Administration folks and key organizations/Associations.

Paper: 1) Fact sheet of the announcements and President's record on immunizations; 2) background document on different types of immunizations and the history of the child immunization initiative; 3) Q&A.

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Subject: Re: COS Scheduling Mtg. 🖺

I think the immunization event and the genetic screening event are getting confused. The immunization event speakers would be POTUS, FLOTUS, President Carter, and a pediatrician. We plan to announce: (1) the new immunization rates; (2) the child care regulation; and (3) (possibly) a collaboration between CDC, NGA and Hallmark Cards to send info about immunization to all new parents.