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UNITE WITH US TO STOP ZIKA

ZIKA CONTRACEPTION ACCESS NETWORK

The Zika virus is alarming.

Never before has a mosquito-borne virus been associated with a catastrophic birth defect or with sexual transmission. The effects of brain damage due to microcephaly and consequences of other Zika-related birth defects are devastating, lifelong and costly. To protect women and their unborn babies, there are three key prevention strategies. One is preventing mosquito bites. Another is protecting pregnant women from sexual transmission of Zika. And lastly, an effective strategy to reduce Zika-related pregnancy complications is to prevent pregnancy by offering a range of contraceptives to women who want to delay or avoid pregnancy during a Zika outbreak.



In Puerto Rico, an estimated

5,900-10,300 **PREGNANT WOMEN**

may be affected by Zika through 2017



Puerto Rico



As many as

65% **OF PREGNANCIES**

in Puerto Rico are unintended

In Puerto Rico, access to contraception has been constrained by



LIMITED AVAILABILITY



INSURANCE COVERAGE



HIGH COST



SHORTAGE OF PHYSICIANS*

*Trained in procedures for intrauterine devices (IUDs) and implants.

Zika Contraception Access Network

The CDC Foundation, with technical leadership from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and partners in Puerto Rico, has established the Zika Contraception Access Network (Z-CAN). The network of trained OB/GYNs and other physician providers, family planning clinics and community health centers provides women who choose to avoid or delay pregnancy with access to client-centered contraceptive counseling and a full range of contraceptive methods. Thanks to Z-CAN, for the first time in Puerto Rico women have access to highly-effective contraception on the same day of their medical visits, free of charge. To date, nearly 95 percent of women report being very satisfied with Z-CAN services received, and 94 percent received same-day service.

Z-CAN at a Glance

Helps physicians provide client-centered counseling to reproductive-aged women, and provide access to contraceptive methods if they choose to delay or avoid pregnancy.

Increases the supply of the full range of contraceptive methods to physicians and clinics.

Serves as a model for family planning as an emergency countermeasure in low- and middle-income countries.

Trains physicians and other healthcare professionals on the procedures for long-acting reversible contraceptive methods such as intrauterine devices (IUDs) and implants.

Enhanced women's awareness of the Z-CAN program through a health education and outreach campaign, *Ante la Duda, Pregunta*.

Initial results have surpassed the effectiveness of the gold-standard Contraceptive CHOICE project.

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Please join the CDC Foundation to extend this critical program until the end of 2017. To discuss giving opportunities, contact Laura Angel:

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26K **WOMEN**

Within one year, contingent upon sufficient resources, Z-CAN aims to reach 26,000 women of reproductive age in Puerto Rico.

\$2.1 **MILLION**

\$2.1 million in additional support is needed to fully fund Z-CAN and extend the program through 2017. The CDC Foundation has received seed funding to launch Z-CAN and secured tens of millions of dollars in contraceptive product donations and offers from key manufacturers and partners. Without the additional funding, the CDC Foundation lacks the ability to extend this program until the end of 2017, the product donations will go unused and women will go unprotected.

160+ **PROVIDERS**

Z-CAN launched in July 2016 and has trained more than 160 providers and hundreds of staff to date and established an island-wide network of clinics to provide services.



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