

# ATTENTION, MALE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

**BEFORE YOU VOTE** *on health insurance reform, know the facts about how insurers have made women into “pre-existing conditions.”*

**Women are routinely charged more than men for the same policies.**

- Women are charged up to 48% more in premiums than men for the same coverage on the individual market.

**Women who’ve had pregnancies and c-sections are denied coverage due to “pre-existing conditions.”**

- Only 14 states require that insurers provide comprehensive maternity care.

**Women who’ve been victims of domestic violence can be legally denied coverage in 8 states and Washington, DC.**

- 8 states and the District of Columbia allow insurers to deny coverage to victims of domestic violence by classifying their experience as a “pre-existing condition.”

**Learn more at <http://action.seiu.org/equity>.**

