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The Endocrine Disruption Prevention Act of 2009.

HR. 4190

A bill introduced in both the House and the Senate that authorizes the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to conduct a research program on endocrine disruption, to prevent and reduce the production of, and exposure to, chemicals that can undermine the development of children before they are born. This bill is in the House Energy and Commerce Committee and the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. Please write your Senators and Representative to co-sponsor this legislation to help determine how chemicals and toxins impact birth anomalies that effect many of the infants we care for today.

Stimulus
Funds

From the Federal Budget and more specifically the Stimulus Act, Michigan received an \$11.5 million grant for 2 Michigan Community Health Centers: InterCare Community Health network which operates in Allegan, Cass, Kent, Ottawa and Van Buren Counties; and the Baldwin Family Health Care Center which operates in Lake, Newaygo and Missaukee Counties. These federal dollars go to support construction and renovation of Community Health Centers in those counties that will provide care for thousands of additional patients here in Michigan.

Health
Care
Reform
Bill

How will this Health Care Reform Bill affect infant and maternal-child health care here in Michigan? The following 2 organizations: Michigan Council for Maternal and Child Health and the Michigan Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies will be issuing periodic fact sheets to help keep their members informed of their role in implementing the various components of the bill.