The Fight to #SaveTitleX: Essential Access Health vs. Azar

2018

May 22

Trump Administration releases notice of proposed rulemaking that outlines harmful changes for the Title X program.

2019

March 4

Unlawful final regulations published in the Federal Register.

March 21

Essential Access files first lawsuit in organization’s history in Federal District Court in San Francisco.

April 26

District Court grants preliminary injunction.

June 20

9th Circuit Court of Appeals motions panel lifts the preliminary injunction.

July 3

9th Circuit grants emergency motion for rehearing of motions panel decision.

July 11

9th Circuit en banc panel denies request to restore preliminary injunction.

July 15

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issues timeline of implementation.

August 19

Attestation to implement new rule due to HHS. Title X recipients across the U.S. begin exiting the program.

September 23

9th Circuit en banc panel hears oral arguments in appeal to reinstate the preliminary injunction.
February 20
Federal District Court hears motion for summary judgement.

February 24
Preliminary injunction is vacated by 9th Circuit of Appeals.

March 4
Physical separation rules take effect.

September 3
4th Circuit Court of Appeals maintained lower court decision that struck down the Title X regulations in Maryland, but declined to block implementation nationwide.

October 1
Essential Access submits request to U.S. Supreme Court to review 9th Circuit decision.

January 28
President Biden directs HHS to review and reconsider Trump-era rule.

February 22
U.S. Supreme Court agrees to review Title X challenge.

March 12
Biden Administration petitions U.S. Supreme Court to dismiss challenge with administrative action imminent.

April 14
HHS releases Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

May 17
U.S. Supreme Court dismisses Title X challenge. Public Comment due regarding Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

August 20
RFP released for providers to rejoin California's statewide Title X network.

October 4
Final regulations released to rescind and replace Trump-era regulations. California health centers that exited Title X rejoin the program.

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