

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION OF  
AMERICA, INC., and PLANNED  
PARENTHOOD OF NORTHERN NEW  
ENGLAND, INC.

Plaintiffs,

19 Civ. 5433 (PAE)

-v.-

XAVIER BECERRA, *in his official capacity as Secretary,  
United States Department of Health and Human Services;*  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES; MELANIE FONTES RAINER, *in her  
official capacity as Director, Office for Civil Rights, United  
States Department of Health and Human Services;* and  
OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, *United States Department of  
Health and Human Services,*

Defendants.

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING AND  
REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ASSOCIATION, and  
PUBLIC HEALTH SOLUTIONS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

-v-

XAVIER BECERRA, *in his official capacity as Secretary  
of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services;*  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN  
SERVICES; MELANIE FONTES RAINER, *in her official  
capacity as Director of the Office for Civil Rights of the U.S.  
Department of Health and Human Services;* and OFFICE  
FOR CIVIL RIGHTS OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,

Defendants.

19 Civ. 5435 (PAE)

### JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court's Order of August 30, 2024, the Parties jointly submit this status report to update the Court on the progress of negotiations regarding a possible resolution of the issue of attorneys' fees and costs. *See Planned Parenthood v. Azar*, No. 19 Civ. 5433 (PAE), Dkt. 138 (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 2, 2024); *Nat'l Fam. Plan. & Reprod. Health Assoc. v. Azar*, No. 19 Civ. 5435 (PAE), Dkt. 146 (S.D.N.Y. Apr. 2, 2024). The Parties continue to engage in negotiations and hope to reach an amicable settlement without Court involvement. Accordingly, the Parties respectfully request that the Court set a deadline of January 10, 2025, to file a joint status report to update the Court on the progress of negotiations.

Dated: October 31, 2024

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ David M. Zions  
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GRANTED. The Court thanks the parties for this update and hereby sets a **January 10, 2025** deadline for a joint status report on the progress of settlement negotiations.

SO ORDERED.

  
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PAUL A. ENGELMAYER  
United States District Judge

Date: October 31, 2024

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