



Wayne State University
Student Senate
April 4th, 2024

Resolution 2324-22

SPONSOR(S): Vansh Bhardwaj (*Member-at-Large*)

CO-SPONSOR(S): Clara Keller; Rachel John (*Member-at-Large, Parliamentarian*); **Mazin Alam** (*Member-at-Large*); **Issa Hosari** (*Member-at-Large, Director of Community Affairs*); **Rabika Ali** (*Member-at-Large, Secretary*); **Charlie Rougny** (*Member-at-Large*)

A resolution supporting the installation of health kiosks on the Wayne State University campus, with the goal of simplifying access to emergency contraceptives.

THE WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE ENACT:

WHEREAS, the current mechanisms for accessing emergency contraceptives on Wayne State University's campus fail to foster effective conversations about health education, do not recognize the importance of discretion, and lack punctuality regarding the urgency of such matters; **AND**,

WHEREAS, obtaining emergency contraceptives from the Campus Health Center requires the use of a free visit that is provided for students, thus limiting access to care in the event of other medical concerns throughout the semester; **AND**,

WHEREAS, access to over-the-counter or non-prescription medications, such as emergency contraceptives, do not require consultation with medical providers, as they have been approved by the Food and Drug Administration as safe for individual use without a prescription; **AND**,

WHEREAS, progestin-only emergency contraceptives are fully over-the-counter, with no Michigan legislation prohibiting the sale of such products in vending machines; **AND**,

WHEREAS, punctuality is a crucial determinant of the efficacy of emergency contraceptives, which must be taken within 72 hours and Campus Health Center appointments do not commonly have availabilities within the window of necessary action; **AND**,

WHEREAS, wellness kiosks provide discretion for receiving emergency contraceptives, thus reducing the strain of stigma, especially in instances of sexual assault; **AND,**

WHEREAS, the installation of such machinery has been observed at various significant universities in Michigan, with positive impacts on the access to healthcare products, leaving Wayne State to make a similar serious commitment to being proponents of health promotion¹; **AND,**

WHEREAS, there has been expressed support from various departments and colleges at Wayne State University including: Public Health, Sociology, Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies, School of Social Work, Honors College, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Peace and Conflicts Studies, Physics and Astronomy, Philosophy and Psychology, supplements the campus community’s enthusiasm for the installation of health kiosks; **AND,**

RESOLVED; the Wayne State Student Senate calls upon Wayne State University administration and Contract Services to allocate funds and begin efforts toward the installation of health kiosks throughout the campus, beginning with machines requested in the Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies and Honors College departments in the Student Center and Undergraduate Library respectively; **AND,**

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wayne State University Student Senate will circulate this final resolution to all relevant outlets, including the University President, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, the University Leadership Council, the University DEI Council, Facilities Planning and Management, Contract Services and the South End.

¹ Sara Holliday, “Health and Wellness Vending Machines Installed at U-M,” The University Record, January 22, 2024, <https://record.umich.edu/articles/health-and-wellness-vending-machines-installed-at-u-m/>.

MOVED to approve *Resolution 2324-22* as presented by Senator **JOHN** AND **SECONDED** by Senator **SHAMAM**.

ACTION	<u> X </u>	<u> 24-0-0 </u>	<u> APRIL 4 2024 </u>
	PASSED FAILED	VOTE	DATE

VOTE APPROVED BY:



PRESIDENT: Hayden Johnson



SECRETARY: Rabika Ali