

George Bush for President

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THE GEORGE BUSH RECORD ON MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CARE

George Bush believes that we must give our children a healthy start in the world. Quality health services are critical for improving maternal and infant health and should be available to all pregnant women and young children in our nation.

LEGISLATIVE RECORD

Family Medical Practice

- o Congressman Bush voted in favor of providing grants to medical schools and hospitals to assist in establishing programs in the field of medical practice. [HR 19599 (1970)]
- o Congressman Bush also sponsored legislation to encourage physicians, dentists, optometrists, and other medical personnel to practice in areas where shortages of their skills exist. [HR 19036 (1970)]

CURRENT PROPOSALS

Prenatal Care

- o "We need to improve the quality of prenatal care available to pregnant women."

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- o "We need first rate health care professionals to fill those hospitals and we have to attract and keep physicians in rural communities....Today, if you are pregnant in a rural county, you might have to travel a long way to have a baby delivered. The potential health risks to mother and child are alarming."

Speech by Vice President
George Bush, Iowa Methodist
Hospital, 1/22/88

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Child Health Care

- o "We must be sure that America's children have adequate access to health care. Our goal should be to provide the best health care in the world at an affordable cost."

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- o "This nation's children represent our future -- and our responsibility. Good health care and nutrition, sound education, and access to safe child day care should be of concern to all of us. These are vital issues which my administration will address."

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