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5 On page 4, line 1, after "plan" strike "shall contract" and insert 6 "contracts"

7 On page 4, line 2, after "community." insert "If all of the 8 providers or facilities with whom the carrier contracts within the 9 enrollee's local community decline to participate in the provision of 10 contraceptive health care services, the carrier shall contract with a 11 provider or facility within the enrollee's local community that will 12 provide such services."

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EFFECT: Allows for a referral, where available, to a provider already within a carrier's network to provide contraceptive services. Where not available within its existing network, the carrier would have to contract with a provider outside of its network.