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Democratic Party leader provides 5 reasons why Trump's promises to Wisconsin women are hollow.

La Crosse, WI - When Trump came to Wisconsin in 2016, he promised that “nobody will be better to women” and that he would be “best for women’s health issues.” As March launches the third Women’s History Month with Trump in office and as Vice President Pence heads back to La Crosse to campaign for reelection, let’s take a look at how they did keeping those promises:

1. Attacked Protections for People with Pre-Existing Conditions

[USA Today](#) : “Justice Department attorneys said in a letter filed with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in New Orleans that a lower court’s ruling the health law is unconstitutional ‘should be affirmed’ and that the ‘United States is not urging that any portion of the district court’s judgement be reversed.’”

[Vox](#) : “Women are more likely than men to have a preexisting condition, which can include a history of rape, domestic violence, or even pregnancy. The law required insurers to cover certain services, including maternity care, ensuring women would be able to buy a health plan that actually covered the medical care they needed.”

2. Revoked Protections Against Sexual Harassment in the Workplace

[NBCNews](#) : “On March 27, Trump revoked the 2014 Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces order then-President Barack Obama put in place to ensure that companies with federal contracts comply with 14 labor and civil rights laws.”

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3. Separated Families at the Border

[Washington Post](#) : “The Trump administration said in 2018 that nearly 3,000 children had been separated from their parents at the border — the parents detained or deported, the children sent to foster care or family members in the United States...but the actual number of separated families was much higher.”

4. Sabotaged Plan to Close Gender Pay Gap

[Vox](#) : US District Judge Tanya Chutkan scolded the administration for illegally halting an Obama-era rule that required businesses to start reporting employee salary data by race, gender, and job title to the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the federal agency that enforces civil rights laws.

5. Made it Harder for Survivors to Seek Justice on College Campuses

[New York Times](#) : “Education Secretary Betsy DeVos on Friday scrapped a key part of government policy on campus sexual assault, saying she was giving colleges more freedom to balance the rights of accused students with the need to crack down on serious misconduct.