



AWHP Statement of Support for the Uterine Fibroids Intervention and Gynecological Health Treatment (UFIGHT) Act

The Uterine Fibroids Intervention and Gynecological Health Treatment Act (UFIGHT) Act addresses a critical women's health issue in the United States. Given that as many as 80% of women will develop uterine fibroids before menopause, introducing policy that promotes early detection and screening methods to diagnose them earlier is critical — and will result in women receiving higher quality and less invasive treatment. This is also a matter of health equity, as Black women are disproportionately impacted by uterine fibroids and face more severe symptoms. Additional research on the reason for this disparity, as well as the prevalence of uterine fibroids on Asian and Hispanic individuals, is necessary.

As an organization focused on women's preventive health, the Alliance for Women's Health and Prevention works to advance policies that promote early detection and diagnosis. The UFIGHT Act will do just that, as it promotes early detection of uterine fibroids, including by authorizing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award state-level grants for carrying out programs that increase early detection and intervention.

AWHP supports the UFIGHT Act and looks forward to working with Congresswoman Brown on efforts to further support women's preventive health and well-being.