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The Working Group on Oral Contraceptives (OCs) Over-the-Counter (OTC) is an informal coalition of reproductive health and rights organizations, nonprofit research and advocacy groups, university-based researchers, and prominent clinicians who share an interest in women's health and access to contraception. Our goal is to evaluate objectively the risks and benefits of demedicalizing contraceptive care, with an eye toward improving access to OCs and potentially other hormonal contraceptive methods by making them available without a prescription.

The working group is coordinated by Ibis Reproductive Health.

Dear working group member,

The first article from a cohort study examining OTC use of oral contraceptives along the US-Mexico border, a collaboration between the University of Texas and Ibis Reproductive Health, will be published today in the online version of the *American Journal of Public Health* (embargo lifted at 4pm EDT). The focus of this paper is on who chooses to get pills where, how satisfied they are about their source, and what their motivations are for obtaining pills where they do. One of the important findings of the research is that OTC access appeals to a broad range of women.

You can access the press release [here](#). If you would like a copy of the article, or if you have any comments or questions, please let me know. And I apologize if you've received this message more than once!

Thanks,
Dan

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