**Austin Chronicle**

"Texas has become ground zero in both the war on women’s health care and the nationwide defense of women’s rights. Sen. Wendy Davis’ June filibuster against radical abortion restrictions was an emotional and political watershed, but this was not the first blast in the war on women's reproductive rights by extremists on the right, and it's certainly not the last. In “From Abstinence-Only to Plan Z,” *The Austin Chronicle*’s Jordan Smith takes an in-depth look at the dwindling reproductive health care options for college-aged women left high and dry by Texas lawmakers."

**Leo Weekly**

LEO Weekly is producing an article that explores Plan B availability in Louisville. After visiting more than two-dozen local pharmacies, we discover that customers more often than not still face access barriers, despite the federal court ruling in the spring allowing emergency contraceptive to be sold over-the-counter to anyone, regardless of age. We also look at local efforts by the ACLU to clear up the misinformation and remove the physical and mental barriers customers face when seeking out the safe family planning tool.

**Making Contact and Bitch Magazine**

*"Every other race of women in this country has access to emergency contraceptives as an over-the-counter, except for native women"* Charon Asetoyer, Executive Director of the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center is fighting to change that reality. Most press coverage celebrating recent changes to federal law around Plan B have left at least one group behind: Native American activists are still pushing the slow-moving bureaucracy at the Indian Health Service to make Plan B available over-the-counter for women of all ages. And while progress is being made, challenges to accessing emergency contraception remain in Native communities, where high rates of sexual assault make the need particularly dire.

------*Making Contact teamed up with Bitch Magazine to create a broadcast radio segment, a podcast and a blog post based on their joint-reporting.*

**Ms. Magazine**

It took years of activism and legal action to get the federal government to make the emergency contraceptive Plan B One-Step available over-the-counter, without prescription or age restrictions. Ms. investigates whether pharmacies in Los Angeles are now following the rules to make it easily accessible to consumers, and we’re asking readers nationwide to be citizen-journalists and join the investigation.

**Portland Mercury**

Reproductive rights advocates have waged a long campaign to make Plan B available over the counter—but are pharmacies actually making the crucial drug accessible? *The Portland Mercury* looks at how emergency contraception access plays out on the ground in Portland, Oregon, secretly shopping for Plan B at pharmacies citywide to see how they stack up.

**The Santa Fe Reporter and Public News Service**

The Santa Fe Reporter will feature a cover story by Joey Peters about family planning access for Santa Fe and New Mexico now that the capital city has lost its only abortion provider. One result of the loss of this clinic is that women no longer are able to easily access information about how to obtain emergency contraception or when to use it.