Two states to allow pharmacists to prescribe birth control

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(HealthDay)—California and Oregon will soon implement groundbreaking laws that enable women to get contraceptives from pharmacists without a doctor's prescription.

This will make it easier for millions of women to have access to birth control, and public health advocates hope similar measures will be introduced across the country, *The New York Times* reported.

In California and Oregon, pharmacists will be able to prescribe contraceptives after women provide information about their health and medical histories.

Contraceptives prescribed by pharmacists will be covered by insurance, as they are now, *The Times* reported.

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