

Hillary Diane Rodham Clinton (born October 26, 1947) is an American politician who served as the 67th United States Secretary of State under President Barack Obama from 2009 to 2013. She is the wife of the <u>42nd President of the United</u> States Bill Clinton, and was First Lady of the <u>United States</u> during his tenure from 1993 to 2001. Clinton subsequently served as a <u>United</u> States Senator from New York from 2001 to 2009, and is a candidate for President of the United States in the 2016 presidential election.



As First Lady of the United States, her major initiative, the Clinton health care plan of 1993, failed to reach a vote in Congress. In 1997 and 1999, she played a leading role in advocating the creation of the State Children's Health Insurance Program, the Adoption and Safe Families Act and the <u>Foster Care Independence Act</u>. The only First Lady to have been <u>subpoenaed</u>, she testified before a federal grand jury in 1996 regarding the Whitewater controversy, although no charges against her related to this or other investigations during her husband's presidency were ever brought. Her marriage to the president was subject to considerable public discussion following the Lewinsky scandal of 1998, and overall her role as First Lady drew a polarized response from the American public.

Health

In July 2015, Clinton became the first 2016 presidential candidate to publicly release a medical history. The Clinton campaign released a letter from her physician, Dr. Lisa Bardack of Mount Kisco, New York, attesting to her good health based on a full medical evaluation. The letter noted that there has been a "complete resolution" of a brain concussion that Clinton suffered in 2012 and "total dissolution" of prior blood clots. [99] Bardack concluded that Clinton had no serious health issues that would interfere with her fitness to serve as president



Political positions

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- During her first week as a candidate, in April 2015, Clinton called for a constitutional amendment to limit "unaccountable money" in politics, and said that she supports allowing undocumented immigrants to earn drivers licences, wants to see the right to same-sex marriage enshrined in the constitution, and campaigned for <u>universal pre-K</u>. [100]
- On May 5, Clinton stated that allowing undocumented immigrants to have a path to citizenship "Is at its heart a family issue." [101]
- In April 2015 Clinton held a sixty-minute education roundtable at which she spoke with a handful of educators and students at an Iowa community college. While there spoke about Common Core, "The really unfortunate argument that's been going on around Common Core, it's very painful because the Common Core started off as a bipartisan effort. It was actually nonpartisan. It wasn't politicized....Iowa has had a testing system based on a core curriculum for a really long time. And [speaking to Iowans] you see the value of it, you understand why that helps you organize your whole education system. And a lot of states unfortunately haven't had that, and so don't understand the value of a core, in this sense a Common Core." [103]

