

PLANNED PARENTHOOD IS NOT PRO-WOMAN



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Planned Parenthood claims to be the voice for women—protecting their freedoms, their rights, and their bodies. One recent ad campaign resorted to outright vulgarity to describe how they are protecting women's sex lives.¹ But is Planned Parenthood as “pro-woman” as it says it is?

Planned Parenthood is the nation's leading abortion supplier and has hailed itself as the champion of women for decades. But nothing could be further

from the truth. Sadly, this organization has been caught repeatedly violating the law and violating women, from aiding and abetting sex traffickers, covering up child sexual abuse, and selling the remains of aborted baby parts to ignoring the disastrous effects that abortion has on women's physical and mental health. From its racist eugenic roots to the targeting of vulnerable communities today, their scandals continue to pile up.

“Care. No Matter What.” This is Planned Parenthood's current motto, but they have only proven that they are in the business of providing abortions no matter what the cost is to women, even as they welcome the business of sex abusers and sex traffickers.

Planned Parenthood commits over a third of the nation's abortions, and since the start of its first reports



on abortions in 1978, it has aborted over six million babies in the U.S.² The organization's 2016-2017 annual report stated that it had committed 321,384 abortions

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per year.⁴ Planned Parenthood is also the largest recipient of Title X family planning funds, receiving nearly \$60 million in taxpayer dollars a year.⁵ As Planned Parenthood continues to receive our tax dollars, they continue to be scandal-ridden with the very things that should prohibit them from receiving

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any government funding! While Planned Parenthood holds non-profit status, its total revenue for 2016-2017 was about \$1.459 billion, the highest in its history. In 2016-2017, Planned Parenthood reported an excess of revenue over expenses of nearly one hundred million dollars.⁶

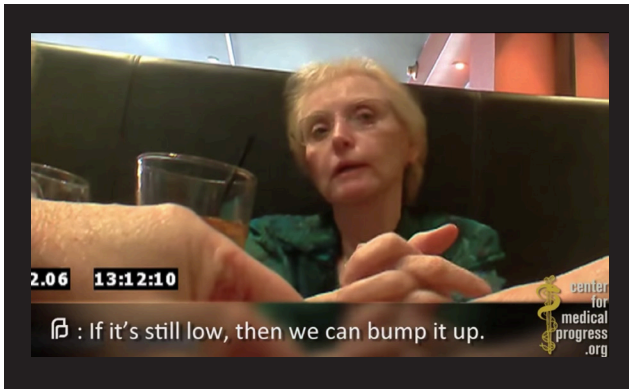
Planned Parenthood is not the “pro-woman” organization that it claims to be. Rather, it is an organization that takes advantage of women, ignores their physical and mental trauma, participates in criminal activity, and advocates for a culture of death. In this brochure, you will find evidence that will challenge your assumptions about Planned Parenthood and equip you with the information you need to be a true champion for women and the lives of unborn children.

1. A “pro-woman” organization would not be under criminal investigation for selling body parts and ignoring informed consent laws.

Perhaps one of the most disturbing reasons why Planned Parenthood is not “pro-woman” is the cur-

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rent investigation of its illegal participation in selling aborted baby parts for profit, and doing so without



the informed consent from the woman who was getting the abortion.⁷ In July of 2015, undercover videos released by The Center for Medical Progress revealed that Planned Parenthood officials bargained over the sale and purchase of body parts from the remains of abortions. This truly exposes the lie that abortion is not harming a real human being.

The videos were so chilling that they prompted a congressional hearing in the House called the Select Investigative Panel on Infant Lives, as well as a Senate Judiciary Committee investigation. The findings that came from these panels were so atrocious that in December of 2016, Planned Parenthood was referred to the FBI and twice to the Department of Justice for criminal investigation. As a result, thirteen states initiated investigations into Planned Parenthood, and over a dozen have cut funding to the organization.⁸

There are over 50 undercover investigative videos that have been released to the public by The Center for Medical Progress.⁹ Many of the videos clearly show Planned Parenthood employees admitting that baby body parts are harvested at its facilities and haggling to obtain the highest possible prices for those body parts.¹⁰ Here is one egregious example:

"Let me just figure out what others are getting, and if this is in the ballpark, then it's fine, if it's still low, then we can bump it up. I want a Lamborghini."

—President of PPFA Medical Directors' Council Mary Gatter¹¹

In December of 2017, the Department of Justice opened a case to potentially prosecute Planned Parenthood and biotechnology companies for breaking several federal laws.¹² The pertinent laws include 42 US Code 289g-2 which prohibits the sale of human fetal tissue if the tissue is sold for valuable consideration and affects interstate commerce. "Reasonable

payments" related to the transportation, storage, implantation, processing, or preservation of the tissue are not considered "valuable consideration." However, financial gain due to beyond-reasonable payments for these services would violate this statute.¹³

The Infant Lives Panel included eyewitness accounts that attested to abortionists killing infants who showed signs of life when partially outside of the birth canal, in violation of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, and also killing infants after they are completely outside the birth canal, in violation of the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act.¹⁴

The Panel also learned that certain Planned Parenthood facilities may have violated the HIPAA privacy rights of vulnerable women for the sole purpose of increasing the harvesting of fetal tissue to make money. They referred this evidence to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.¹⁵

The hearings further revealed concerns that Planned Parenthood workers coerced patients into signing consent forms for personal gain. One Planned Parenthood executive from Orange County admitted to changing the method of abortion so that intact fetuses could be successfully procured.¹⁶

In December 2017, two of Planned Parenthood's business partners, DaVinci Biosciences and DV Biologics, made a \$7.8 million settlement and admission of liability with the Orange County District Attorney for their role in the unlawful sale of fetal tissue and stem cells for profit in violation of federal and California law. The fetal parts were procured from Planned Parenthood of Orange & San Bernardino Counties.¹⁷

In conclusion, the congressional investigation's findings suggested that multiple laws had been violated at Planned Parenthood facilities in the United States in some way. The Department of Justice and the FBI are in the process of determining if any charges will be made based off the Committee's report findings.

"I don't take lightly making a criminal referral. But, the seeming disregard for the law by these entities has been fueled by decades of utter failure by the Justice Department to enforce it... And, unless there is a renewed commitment by everyone involved against commercializing the trade in aborted fetal body parts for profit, then the problem is likely to continue."

—Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley¹⁸

The Department of Justice and the FBI should commit to do a thorough investigation and bring about the appropriate charges. Until that is done, Planned Parenthood will continue to exploit women for financial gain.

2. A “pro-woman” organization would not fail to report statutory rape and sex abuse.

In a recent promotion video to spur on pro-abortion voter turnout for the 2018 midterm elections, Planned Parenthood declared, “We all deserve to be safe and free from sexual assault, harassment, and violence.”¹⁹

This is in line with the messaging of the recent #MeToo movement, which Planned Parenthood supports. However, it is hypocritical for Planned Parenthood to support the #MeToo movement while enabling the abuse of sexual assault. There are several recorded examples of Planned Parenthood supplying

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abortions to victims of sexual abuse and trafficking despite state mandatory reporting laws that make Planned Parenthood personnel mandatory reporters in most states.²⁰ Instead of coming to the rescue of these girls, there have been numerous instances of personnel aiding sexual abusers by covering up their crimes and leaving the girls to be victimized all over again.

Live Action has been investigating Planned Parenthood’s continued failure to report child sexual abuse since 2008. Since then, eight Planned Parenthood facilities in six different states were found to be covering up child sex abuse scandals. In 2008, Live Action investigations found that Planned Parenthood facilities in Arizona, Indiana, Tennessee, Alabama, Wisconsin, and Kentucky were willing to cover up the sexual abuse of Live Action investigators posing as 13-year-old girls by a 31-year-old man.²¹

- According to a Live Action report, a Planned Parenthood employee said, “We were all required to be mandatory reporters, but, if we saw



a case—questionable abuse or even for sure, I mean, this kid is being abused—we really were discouraged from calling it in, just because they didn’t want to have the trouble—the angry parent, the angry boyfriend, whatever it was. So, more than once I was told, ‘No, that is not reportable. You don’t need to call that in.’”²²

- One victim even filed a lawsuit against Planned Parenthood for refusing to report her abuse and get her the help she needed. In *Fairbanks v. Planned Parenthood*, a 16-year-old girl informed Planned Parenthood workers that she was impregnated by her father who, she said, was sexually molesting her. Planned Parenthood did not report the sexual abuse to authorities. It was not until a full year later, when the young woman’s basketball coach filed a police report, that the sex-offending father was convicted and incarcerated.²³

Planned Parenthood is the largest recipient of Title X family planning funds, receiving nearly 60 million in taxpayer dollars a year.²⁴ In order to receive these annual grants, Planned Parenthood and other organizations are expected to comply with state mandatory reporting laws.²⁵ A thorough investigation is needed to uncover how widespread these failures to report suspected child sexual abuse, rape, and incest are and whether other violations at Planned Parenthood facilities have been covered up.

3. A “pro-woman” organization would not aid and abet sex-trafficking.

In a 2011 investigation, Live Action found that Planned Parenthood was willing and able to aid sex traffickers who were trafficking girls as young as 13 as part of a sex-slave ring.²⁶ Their investigations exposed multiple Planned Parenthood facilities across New York, New Jersey, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.²⁷



- When an investigator posing as a 13-year-old girl told an Indiana Planned Parenthood employee that she was impregnated by a 31-year-old man, the worker replied, “I don’t care how old he is...If you are really trying to hide it, I don’t recommend the medication abortion.”²⁸
- At a Planned Parenthood in New Jersey, an employee was caught telling an investigator posing as a pimp, “If they are minors, tell them they are students.” The clinic manager additionally suggested that trafficked girls under the age of 15 go to another clinic, because “their protocols aren’t as strict as ours and they don’t get audited in the same way that we do.” The clinic worker even suggested other ways the trafficked girls could bring in money during the two weeks after an abortion (when they cannot have sex due to the surgery and healing). She recommended the girls simply work “waist up, or just be that extra action walking by.”²⁹
- One victim who went to a Bronx Planned Parenthood seeking an abortion because a pimp impregnated her as a minor said that “they [Planned Parenthood in the Bronx] sent me back to the brothel immediately.”³⁰

In a 2014 Beazley Institute Report, over a thousand female victims of sex trafficking from across the United States gave information regarding their experience

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at healthcare facilities.³¹ Over a quarter (29.6 percent) of the survivors had visited a Planned Parenthood facility while they were being trafficked.³² One victim of sex trafficking said that they went to Planned Parenthood because “they didn’t ask any questions.”³³

4. A “pro-woman” organization would not lie about its ability to care for women.

Planned Parenthood claims that it provides numerous services that outweigh abortion, and that without these services, women would lose access to health care: “If Planned Parenthood health centers can’t provide care for them, nobody will.”³⁴ The truth is that federally qualified health centers (FQHCs), also known as community health centers, which provide a broader array of services for women (and do not abort babies), outnumber Planned Parenthood clinics 20 to 1.³⁵ Planned Parenthood’s “other services” for women are declining in almost every category every year:

- **Cancer Screenings:** From 2009 to 2016, cancer screening and prevention programs have consistently decreased by close to two-thirds (64 percent). During those same years, HPV vaccinations, colposcopy procedures, and cryotherapy procedures all decreased with each consecutive year.
- **Breast Exams:** From 2009 to 2016, breast exams have consistently decreased by over half (61 percent). In 2015, for the first time in Planned Parenthood’s history, abortions outnumbered basic breast exams. These numbers do not include in-house mammograms because Planned Parenthood does not provide that service. In a September 2015 House Oversight Committee meeting, Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards admitted that her organization does not provide mammograms, contradicting her 2011 claims that it did.³⁶
- **Prenatal Services:** From 2009 to 2016, prenatal services have steadily decreased by more than three-quarters (77 percent). In 2016, Planned Parenthood committed 41 abortions for every prenatal service it provided.
- **Adoption Referrals:** In 2016, Planned Parenthood committed 83 abortions for every adoption referral it made.
- **Pregnancy Services:** In its annual report for 2016-2017, Planned Parenthood admitted that out of its total services (adoption referrals, pre-

natal services, abortion) for pregnant women, abortions made up 97 percent.

Planned Parenthood has said that abortions only account for three percent of its services, but the truth is that Planned Parenthood self-reports and manipulates the data to underemphasize the number of abortion-related services performed at its clinics. They do this by counting services to a single client in a single visit as separate services. For instance a pap smear, a pregnancy test, a birth control packet, and STD testing done on one patient in one visit is counted as four different services.³⁷ This is how Planned Parenthood deliberately misleads the public into thinking that it provides 9.5 million services and only 321,384 abortions, which allows it to come up with the “three percent” myth.³⁸ As mentioned previously, federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) provide a plethora of services for women and outnumber Planned Parenthood clinics 20 to 1.³⁹ Women would not be deprived of access to health care if Planned Parenthood was defunded.

In fact, women are getting more care from FQHCs,



whose primary and preventative care services have increased over time, according to a Congressional Research Service report. In 2015, FQHCs provided 20.6 million services, which was an increase of 27 percent from the 16.2 million services provided in 2009. In every category, the number of services increased at FQHCs from 2009 to 2015.⁴⁰ At the same time, these centers do not perform abortion.

5. A “pro-woman” organization would not partner with organizations that support sexual exploitation.

It is hypocritical that Planned Parenthood considers itself a champion of the #MeToo movement when they are a premier partner of the Women’s March, who has openly criticized the seizure of Backpage.

com,⁴¹ a site that has served as a “hub” of human trafficking, especially the trafficking of minors” since 2004.⁴²

The Women’s March claimed that Backpage was a “safe place” for “sex workers” to safely get in touch with their clients, even though it is well known that Backpage facilitated the sex trafficking of children. Before its seizure by the FBI in April 2018, Backpage was responsible for 73 percent of all child sex trafficking reports that the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) received from the general public.⁴³ In 2013, Backpage collected more than 80 percent of all its revenue from online commercial sex advertising in the U.S.⁴⁴ The U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

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found that Backpage did not deny that its site was used for the sale of children for sex and actually facilitated prostitution and child sex trafficking.⁴⁵

Sexual exploitation should never be disguised as “work.” Sexual exploitation includes “routine verbal degradation” as well as “extreme risk of sexual assault and rape, being groped, pinched, licked, bitten, and breathed upon by people who pay to use you.”⁴⁶ A study submitted to the National Center on Sexual Exploitation interviewed 222 women in Chicago, Ill. whose ages ranged from 18-59 and who were in prostitution or had been in the last five years. The data stated that 80 percent of the women had been threatened with a weapon, 64.4 percent had been raped, and 55.4 percent were threatened with rape. Of 43 women interviewed in the study, 72.1 percent reported sexual abuse at the hands of pimps, male sexual buyers, and/or boyfriends. These acts of violence included being raped, beaten, threatened with weapons, and abandonment in remote locations.⁴⁷ That does not sound like the kind of “work” that any organization that advocates for women should support.⁴⁸

It is not “pro-woman” to align with movements that do not believe adult and child sex traffic-facilitating webpages should be shut down.

6. A “pro-woman” organization would not leave its former female employees disgusted by its practice of pursuing profits at all cost.



When Planned Parenthood Federation of America heard about the coverup of child sexual abuse at several Planned Parenthood affiliates, they swore to retrain their staff. Many former female employees from Planned Parenthood have been interviewed, and they all have related disturbing tales.

Ramona Trevino, a former Planned Parenthood manager in Sherman, Texas, said that after attending a training that was supposed to retrain staff on mandatory reporting laws, “I raised my hand and I

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said, ‘I’m confused, when are we going to actually begin the retraining? What can I do as a manager... that would help protect women who are experiencing either sex trafficking or sexual abuse in any way?’” Trevino said that she “went in really believing that Planned Parenthood could redeem themselves. They’re going to prove that they really do care about women and this is something that really concerns them. [The trainer] immediately shot me down and she said, ‘We’re not here to talk about that, Ramona. We’re here to teach you how to identify if you’re being videotaped or recorded or entrapped in any way.’”⁴⁹

Abby Johnson, the former director of a Planned Parenthood in Texas, testified that the organization implements abortion quotas in all of their facilities for their employees, which was one of the reasons

why she left her job. Despite Planned Parenthood’s purported goal to “reduce the number of abortions,” Johnson revealed that behind closed doors, their goal is actually to increase them. In a budget meeting, she was told to double her abortion quota.

Sue Thayer, another former Planned Parenthood manager, said, “Every center had a goal for how many abortions were done, so we were very goal-oriented ... I trained my staff the way that I was trained, which was to really encourage women to choose abortion, to have it at Planned Parenthood, because that counts – you know – towards our goal.”⁵⁰

7. A “pro-woman” organization would not provide services that it knows are dangerous and low-quality.

Botched Abortions

Over the years, there have been numerous examples of Planned Parenthood botching abortions, which have either severely wounded the women involved or resulted in their death. One of the most egregious examples of this is a Planned Parenthood in St. Louis, which has had several instances where witnesses have seen ambulances transporting women out of their facility. There were six recorded instances in 2009, five in 2010, four in 2011, four in 2012, and five in 2013.⁵¹

That same St. Louis Planned Parenthood facility had several deficiencies cited during an inspection by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. They included violations of infection prevention protocols as well as rusty surgical tables, suction abortion machines, IV stands, and other equipment, “copious amounts of dust in surgical rooms and on equipment,” lack of appropriate drug handling policies, exposed drugs, expired postpartum balloons used to reduce hemorrhage after abortion, and hiring individuals without performing a mandated search of the Employee Disqualification List.⁵²

On frequent occasions, federally funded Planned Parenthood clinics have had to transport patients to a nearby hospital because of their “care.” These incidences occurred twice in Boston and twice in Aurora (Ill.), as well as in Everett (Wash.), St. Paul (Minn.), Chicago (where the patient, Tonya Reaves, actually died from her abortion), Boise, Houston, and Kenmore (Wash.).⁵³

In another horrifying situation, Cree Erwin died after receiving an abortion at a Kalamazoo, Mich. Planned Parenthood facility. She fell violently ill after undergoing an abortion procedure on June 30, 2016. She made it to her mother's house and cried in agony about the uncontrollable pain, both physically and emotionally, that she was in after the abortion. When she went to the emergency room on July 2 because of the pain, the doctor found clotting and parts



of the killed baby in her uterus which was perforated during the abortion. The doctor sent her home, and she died two days later.⁵⁴

Claiming the Abortion Pill is Safe

While the number of PPFA clinics performing surgical abortions is decreasing, the use of chemical abortifacients is on the rise. According to the Guttmacher Institute, “[m]edication abortions accounted for 31% of all nonhospital abortions in 2014, and for 45% of abortions before nine weeks’ gestation.”⁵⁵

In 2000, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved Mifepristone (RU-486) to be used as an abortion pill. To date, it remains the only FDA-approved drug for the purpose of abortion. Mifepristone is categorized as a selected progesterone receptor modulator (SPRM), and works to block progesterone, thus depriving a developing baby of necessary proteins to survive its first ten weeks of development. SPRMs also suppress the mother’s immune system, making her more prone to infection and bleeding.

The FDA approval process for RU-486 was rushed, flawed, and politicized. The FDA deviated from its normal approval process and used inferior clinical trials to gain the approval.⁵⁶ By April of 2011, ten-and-a-half years after the abortifacient was made available in the United States, the FDA acknowledged 11 deaths, nine life-threatening incidents, 612 hospitalizations, 339 cases involving the need for

blood transfusions, and 256 cases of infections. A total of **2,207** adverse events were reported.⁵⁷

In March 2010, a Planned Parenthood clinic in Iowa reportedly began to prescribe RU-486 over Skype, rather than relying on an in-person doctor visit. In May 2010, PPFA announced its five-year plan to begin “telemed” abortions nationally.⁵⁸

Telemedicine, or telemed, is the use of electronic communications to relay medical information between the patient and her doctor. In a telemed abortion, the doctor prescribes and directs the woman to take the RU-486 pill to initiate a chemical abortion, even though he is physically absent from the patient. Given the drug’s normal side effects and frequent complications, telemed abortions pose a serious threat to the mother’s health.

As the plan began to be implemented, however, state legislatures took steps to ban dangerous telemed abortions. In April 2012, the state of Wisconsin passed a bill outlawing telemed abortions and requiring a doctor to be present when a woman administers a chemical abortion pill.

In spite of widely reported dangers and adverse effects reported by the FDA, Planned Parenthood still continues to tell women that “the abortion pill—is a safe and effective way to end an early pregnancy.”⁵⁹ They even encourage women to “have your medication abortion at home or in another comfortable place that you choose. You get to decide who you want to be with during your abortion, or you can go

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Does the abortion pill have long-term side effects?

The abortion pill is really safe and effective. It's a super common way to have an abortion, and millions of people have used it safely.

Unless there's a rare and serious complication that's not treated, there's no risk to your future pregnancies or to your overall health. Having an abortion doesn't increase your risk for breast cancer or affect your

it alone” with no physician supervision.⁶⁰

In a recent update, the FDA reported **1,445** more cases of adverse effects from 2012 to 2017, ranging from blood loss requiring transfusions, infections (with a substantial amount categorized as “severe”), hospitalizations, and at least 22 women who died.⁶¹

Planned Parenthood claims to be an advocate for women's health. However, it has shown a consistent indifference to the ramifications and complications posed by chemical abortions. By failing to warn clients about potential complications and minimizing the medical attention and professional supervision of

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the chemical abortion regimen, Planned Parenthood continues to show outright disregard, not merely for the unborn child, but also for the health of the mother.

Planned Parenthood's carelessness and inability to perform quality services has plagued several facilities and led to the death of several women. If they really cared about the quality of life of young women, they would inform them of these risks instead of spreading disinformation.

8. A "pro-woman" organization would not continue the legacy of its eugenicist origins by targeting women of color for abortions.

Planned Parenthood continues to lie about its founding and racist origins, stating: "Planned Parenthood was founded on the revolutionary idea that women should have the information and care they need to live strong, healthy lives and fulfill their dreams — no ceilings, no limits."⁶²

In reality, Planned Parenthood's founder, Margaret Sanger, was a prominent eugenicist who once said: "I think the greatest sin in the world is bringing children into the world... that have disease from their parents, that have no chance in the world of being a human being, practically—delinquents, prisoners, all sorts of things, just marked when they're born. That to me is the greatest sin that people can commit."⁶³ In the book she authored, *The Pivot of Civilization*, Sanger shared her views on creating a better society by eliminating the "unfit"—those who were minorities, sick, disabled, or poor. She believed that by controlling the breeding of the "unfit," a cleaner race would prevail: "Birth control... is nothing more or less than the facilitation of the process of weeding out the unfit."⁶⁴

She went on to found the American Birth Control League (ABCL) in 1921. The ABCL changed its name to Planned Parenthood Federation of America in 1942.



Margaret Sanger

Many articles that Sanger published in the 1920's promoted and defended eugenics. Titles included the following: "Some Moral Aspects of Eugenics"; "The Eugenic Conscience"; "The Purpose of Eugenics"; "Birth Control and Positive Eugenics"; "Birth Control: The True Eugenics"; and more.⁶⁵

The American Birth Control League worked in an intentional and systematic manner to reduce the black American population by establishing the "Negro Project." Sanger enlisted black leaders in her endeavor by convincing them that birth control was in the African-American community's best interests. As she once said, "We do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population, and the minister is the man who can straighten that idea out if it ever occurs to any of their more rebellious members."⁶⁶

But Planned Parenthood's eugenic mission did not end with its founder. Dr. Alan Guttmacher, of whom a leading abortion research organization—the Guttmacher Institute—is named after, served both as vice president of the American Eugenics Society and president of PPFA for twelve years, from 1962-1974.⁶⁷ An unsuccessful merger between the ABCL and the American Eugenics Society was attempted in 1933.⁶⁸

While its current leadership does not openly embrace the noxious views of its founder, the eugenic heart of Planned Parenthood still beats.

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Consider this: Today, Planned Parenthood is the nation's largest abortion provider and operates nearly 80 percent of its facilities within walking distance of minority communities.⁶⁹ According to the latest census data, just over 12 percent of the U.S. popula-



tion is African-American, and yet over 30 percent of all 2014 abortions were committed on black babies.⁷⁰ Though the African-American population in America grew by 12 percent between 2000 and 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau reports that the African-American population “grew at a slower rate than most other major race and ethnic groups in the country.”⁷¹

A “pro-woman” organization wouldn’t just be for some women, but all women, no matter their race or economic status. It is clear that Planned Parenthood is targeting minority communities with the locations of their abortion facilities. Is it just a coincidence that their founder, Margaret Sanger, was a racist and eugenicist? Despite her clearly racist views and disregard for the disabled, she still receives praise from Planned Parenthood, who continue to celebrate their founder.⁷²

A number of organizations are exposing the racist nature of Planned Parenthood. In early 2010, The Radiance Foundation began a media campaign with the tagline “Black Americans are an endangered species” to drive home the radical and shocking reality—almost half of black children are aborted in the United States.⁷³

In a series of undercover videos, Live Action exposed Planned Parenthood facilities willing to earmark abortion money according to race. A Live Action employee called numerous facilities posing as a donor and asked to donate money specifically for the abortions of African-American babies in order to “lower the number of blacks in America.” Despite his requests, no Planned Parenthood employee (or director of development, in one case) declined the donation. Some even asked to speak with other employees to get permission. In the first day of calling seven clinics, not a single Planned Parenthood representative expressed outrage or concern at the racism behind donations specifically “to reduce the number of blacks.”⁷⁴

9. A “pro-woman” organization would not glamorize a traumatic event in a woman’s life.

In 2016, Planned Parenthood publicly supported a social media campaign called “#ShoutYourAbortion,” which encourages women to proclaim and be proud of the abortions they have had. Abortion ends the life of another human being. That’s never something to be proud of or glamorize. No woman makes it her dream to have an abortion someday. Frederica Mathewes-Green eloquently describes the pain a woman goes through in an abortion:

It is a particular cruelty to present abortion as something women want, something they demand, they find liberating. Because nobody wants this. The procedure itself is painful, humiliating, expensive — no woman “wants” to go through it. But once it’s available, it appears to be the logical, reasonable choice. All the complexities can be shoved down that funnel. Yes, abortion solves all the problems; but it solves them inside the woman’s body. And she is expected to keep that pain inside for a lifetime, and be grateful for the gift of abortion... No one wants an abortion as she wants an ice cream cone or a Porsche. She wants an abortion as an animal, caught in a trap, wants to gnaw off its own leg.⁷⁵

A 2011 peer-reviewed synthesis on the mental health effects of abortion included a survey of 22 published studies combining data on 877,181 participants, showing that abortion increases the likelihood of depression, anxiety, and reckless behavior such as alcoholism, drug use, and sadly, suicide.⁷⁶

Few women in the survey spoke of the contemporary feminist rhetoric of “empowerment” or the need to be competitive in the workplace when it came to their abortion. They instead reported carrying a toxic mix of negative emotions. Both the aforementioned study and *Psychology Today* attest to the fact that Post Abortion Stress Syndrome (PASS) occurs for many women who’ve had an abortion—the symptoms include guilt, anxiety, numbness, depression, flashbacks, and suicidal thoughts.⁷⁷ Nearly 32 percent of them expressed no positives from their abortion experience, except to note that it led them to either spiritual growth or pro-life advocacy to persuade other women not to get an abortion.⁷⁸

The vast majority of these respondents were older women who are continuing to seek out help, which shows that their choice to undergo an abortion is

still affecting them to this day. Most women seek an abortion between the ages of 20 and 29, which is typically the education or career engagement season of our lives.⁷⁹ Over half of women who undergo abortions claim a religious affiliation, which is a wake-up call to all of us in the church to be more aware of the needs of those in our own congregations.

Conclusion

Planned Parenthood promotes itself as the premier organization for women's health nationally and internationally. Based on the evidence discussed in this pamphlet, one can conclude that Planned Parenthood does more harm than good in the way it cares for women, minorities, and children. From its eugenic foundations, to its telemed dissemination of the dangerous abortion pill, Planned Parenthood is exploiting and misinforming its clients as it also destroys countless unborn lives. Being referred to the DOJ and FBI for criminal investigation makes it more than clear that this organization does not deserve any more of our tax money or political protection. What Planned Parenthood truly needs is accountability, transparency, and defunding. The fact that they continue to be funded by the government through the American tax dollar is as disgraceful as the practices of the organization itself. Any organization, regardless of claiming to be "pro-woman," does not deserve the American people's money while being entangled in criminal behavior. You can help protect life by educating those around you and by holding elected officials accountable to pursue justice in light of the reality of this scandal-ridden organization.⁸⁰

What You Can Do

The DOJ has taken the step of opening an investigation into Planned Parenthood's activities based off of congressional referrals. This is a good first step and needs to be followed through. In the meantime, Planned Parenthood continues to profit off of vulnerable women and the lives of the unborn. Any organization, regardless of claiming to be "pro-woman," does not deserve the American people's money while engaging in what is apparently criminal behavior.

Contact Your Government Officials

Call upon your federal, state, and local elected officials to:

- Pass legislation that will protect life,
- Require transparency, and
- End taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood and redirect funding to FQHCs which do not provide abortion, yet provide a broader array of services for women.

Volunteer in Your Local Area

Volunteer and support your local Pregnancy Resource Centers. These charity-based centers provide practical resources and some medical care to mothers in need, all at no cost.

To find a pregnancy resource center near you, go to: **Care-net.org/find-a-pregnancy-center**

If you or someone you know thinks they might be pregnant and needs someone to talk to, Option Line is available via online (**Optionline.org**) or text "Helpline" to 313131.

Let the women in your lives know that there are other and better options out there that provide quality healthcare, all while celebrating the uniqueness of a woman's body, from puberty, wellness, and fertility to carrying life. Here are two great resources:

- **Getyourcare.org** is a searchable database of comprehensive health clinics near you.
- **The Guiding Star Project** (theguidingstar-project.com) is a network of holistic health care centers for women.

Be A Friend

Be a supportive and true friend to the mother who is experiencing an unexpected pregnancy, and let her know she is not alone. Abortion will not only end the life inside of her, but it will also leave lasting injuries, both physically and emotionally.

Pray

The most important thing you can do is to pray. Pray for desperate mothers who are in need of hope and better options. Pray that many more abortion workers like the ones you've read about in this brochure come out of the abortion business and shine a light on the true darkness of this industry. Pray for our country, that we will someday see an end to abortion, the greatest human rights violation of our time.

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