

PROHIBITING ABORTION PROVIDERS FROM RECEIVING TAXPAYER DOLLARS

Planned Parenthood: the State's and Nation's Largest Abortion Provider

Background: Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Planned Parenthood Federation of America's (PPFA) stated purpose is:

“To provide leadership — in making effective means of voluntary fertility regulation, including contraception, abortion, sterilization, and infertility services, available and fully accessible to all as a central element to reproductive healthcare; — in achieving, through informed individual choice, a U.S. population of stable size in an optimum environment.....”

Abortion is featured prominently in PPFA's purpose and should be “available and fully accessible to all.” This explains PPFA's adamant commitment to providing and gaining “rights” to abortion not only here in the U.S. but worldwide. PPFA also views its role as one of advocating population control.

- ***PPFA is a \$1 billion dollar industry which annually receives over \$360 million in federal and state taxpayer dollars in the form of grants and contracts.***
- PPFA and its affiliates performed 324,008 abortions in 2008. Guttmacher Institute numbers indicate that PPFA accounts for 26.8% of all abortions in the USA. In contrast, the number of adoption referrals is miniscule.
- PPFA paid its CEO \$346,285 in 2008 plus additional compensation of \$38,476.
- PPFA is on the move, building mega-clinics in places like Texas, Oregon and the Twin Cities. The bigger affiliates are gobbling up smaller ones as happened recently in Iowa and Nebraska. The goal is clearly to increase profit and expand its \$1 billion empire.
- ***PPFA's strategic course involves expanding its abortion business nationwide, partly by requiring all of its affiliates to perform abortions by 2013.***
- PPFA used Iowa as a testing ground for over 2,000 web cam chemical abortions with plans to export this procedure to other parts of the country. The pregnant woman is not examined by a doctor and receives information by video.
- PPFA proudly cites the work of the Obama administration to overturn the Mexico City policy which prohibited the use of tax dollars to promote or perform abortions overseas; and to restore funding to the United Nations Population Fund which assists China's coerced abortion program.
- PPFA is very active in promoting abortion internationally with its annual report singling out Kenya, Latin America, the Caribbean, and northern Nigeria as

countries/areas where PPFA worked to decriminalize abortion or provide abortion referrals.

Background: Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin (PPWI) receives millions of Wisconsin taxpayer dollars each year through family planning programs, a Medicaid waiver program, and pregnancy-related grants. While not receiving taxpayer dollars for the performance of abortions, PPWI is nonetheless the dominant provider and promoter of abortion in Wisconsin.

- PPWI operates three large Wisconsin abortion clinics which kill thousands of unborn children each year.
- PPWI “counsels” pregnant women and then refers them to its own abortion clinics from which it profits financially — a horrendous conflict of interest!
- PPWI uses taxpayer dollars to detrimentally impact youth, many times keeping its activities secret from parents.
- PPWI challenges laws in court which attempt to limit abortion or recognize other compelling interests.
- Through Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin, PPWI works to elect pro-abortion candidates to public office.

In 2008, the Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) gave large gifts to some of its affiliates. PPWI was one of the top 15 recipients, receiving \$547,297.

PPWI currently owns web cams. RU 486 chemical abortions jumped from 19% of all Wisconsin abortions in 2008 to 27% in 2009. It is not clear whether PPWI is performing web cam abortions in Wisconsin, but the potential to do so exists.

Summary: Planned Parenthood continues to be the most dominant pro-abortion force in Wisconsin, the country and around the world.

Federal and State Legislation to Defund Abortion Providers

It is outrageous that taxpayers are forced to underwrite any organization that profits immensely from the destruction of human life. Legislation has been introduced in Congress to deprive Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers from receiving federal taxpayer dollars.

Since the late 1970s, Wisconsin taxpayers have not been forced to pay for the performance of abortions under s.20.927 of the Wisconsin statutes. However, Planned Parenthood, the state’s largest abortion provider, receives millions of state taxpayer dollars for its programs.

Several opportunities will present themselves this legislative session to finally prohibit Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers from receiving state taxpayer dollars.

Wisconsin Right to Life supports efforts to prohibit taxpayer dollars from going to organizations that are abortion providers.

