

# 10 Reasons to Avoid Planned Parenthood

*Get the facts before choosing your healthcare provider.*

## **1. Planned Parenthood = Abortion.**

Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas (PPHSET) reported performing 8,273 abortions in 2009. On a national level, Planned Parenthood Federation of America reported performing 305,310 abortions in 2007, with only 4,912 adoption referrals...that's 62 times more abortions than adoptions. <sup>1</sup>

## **2. Planned Parenthood Hurts Women.**

Houston 9-1-1 records show at least two recent cases of women physically injured by botched abortion procedures at the Houston Planned Parenthood affiliate. Don't assume this won't happen to you. <sup>2</sup>

## **3. Planned Parenthood Experiments on Women.**

As of June 2008, a study conducted at the University of Michigan and published in *The Journal of Immunology* has indicated that "off-label use" of the controversial abortion drugs collectively called RU-486, may be linked to the death of at least eight women. The FDA issued new warnings about the use of the pill, and rather than stopping its use of the pill altogether, Planned Parenthood has stated that it will merely stop its unapproved vaginal use of it. In addition to altering the suggested dosage, Planned Parenthood urges women to take one of the drugs at home, disregarding the FDA's warning that the second portion of the pill regime "should be done in a medical office to monitor women for complications.

## **4. Planned Parenthood Condoms Received "Dead Last" Ranking.**

Condoms typically have a 16% failure rate according to Consumer Reports. Planned Parenthood's condoms were ranked dead last in a recent review, with "poor" ratings in both strength and reliability. Condoms are risky as it is.... Using Planned Parenthood's poorly rated condoms is asking for trouble. <sup>3</sup>

## **5. Planned Parenthood Distributes Medical Misinformation.**

Planned Parenthood continues to misrepresent its morning after-abortion pill to women calling it "Emergency Contraception," while failing to inform many clients that they may experience early chemical abortions with the use of this drug. Get the facts for yourself before taking their word for it. <sup>4</sup>

## **6. Planned Parenthood is NOT the cheapest place in Town.**

Many customers use Planned Parenthood because they think it's the cheapest place in town. However, women and men can receive FREE services such as pregnancy testing and STD screening at various local pregnancy centers. Contact healthcare providers that offer a better value before settling for Planned Parenthood.

## **7. Planned Parenthood Celebrates its Racist Roots.**

Margaret Sanger, founder of Planned Parenthood wrote, "We do not want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population," when describing her plans for The Negro Project. <sup>5</sup> Additionally, Sanger wrote in her autobiography of the glowing reception she received when she spoke for a women's gathering of the Klu Klux Klan. <sup>6</sup> Instead of condemning the philosophies of this woman, Planned Parenthood gives an annual award in Margaret Sanger's honor.

## **8. Planned Parenthood Protects Sexual Predators.**

News outlets reported on how Planned Parenthood has failed to report the sexual abuse of minors more than 85% of the time. These stories revealed that in many cases, the Planned Parenthood workers coached minors on how to get around notification laws and offered suggestions to help keep hidden the identity of a pedophile. Never trust an organization that won't protect vulnerable young women. <sup>7</sup>

## **9. Planned Parenthood Wants to Profit from You.**

Planned Parenthood purchases the birth control pill for \$1 to \$2 and Plan B for \$4.50. <sup>8</sup> PPHSET sells these products for \$65-75 and \$80 respectively, reaping enormous profits from the hefty markups. Nationally, Planned Parenthood reported a profit of \$35.2 million last year alone. <sup>9</sup> You deserve better than to simply be a source of profits for this so called non-profit organization.

## **10. Planned Parenthood Ignores Women's Healthcare.**

*Vision 2025*, the 25-year plan published by Planned Parenthood, never mentions the word "patient" and does not include any suggestions to improve patient care. Instead, Planned Parenthood's focus is on political policies, a radical feminist agenda, and building a larger financial base. You deserve a healthcare provider that actually makes women's health a priority. <sup>10</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Document published by PPHSET in 2008; Planned Parenthood Federation of America Annual Report 2007-2008; <sup>2</sup> Recording of 9-1-1 calls from PPHSET, 10:47am, October 5, 2002, & 12:01pm, November 13, 2003; <sup>3</sup> Retrieved on May 19, 2009 from <http://www.lifesitenews.com/ldn/2008/jun/08061907.html>; <sup>4</sup> *The Annals of Pharmacology*, Chris Kahlenborn, Joseph B. Sandford, and Walter Larrimore "Postfertilization Effect of Hormonal Emergency Contraception," March 2002.; <sup>5</sup> Sanger, Margaret. Letter to Dr. Clarence Gamble. 10 December, 1939.; <sup>6</sup> Sanger, Margaret. *Margaret Sanger: An Autobiography*. New York: W.W. Norton and Co., 1938.; <sup>7</sup> *WORLD Magazine*, July 27, 2002.; <sup>8</sup> Gonzalez v. Planned Parenthood of Las Angeles. 2005.; <sup>9</sup> Retrieved on November 1, 2005 from <http://plannedparenthooldrx.com/annualreport/report-04.pdf>; <sup>10</sup> Retrieved on August 22, 2005 from <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/pp2/portal/files/portal/aboutus/vision-goals.xml>.