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## REPORT IN BRIEF

### Dear Friends, Advocates & Partners,

Live Action has been conducting multi-state investigations of Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry since 2007. These investigations and subsequent public education campaigns have revealed malfeasance, lawlessness, and contempt for human life and safety at all levels of the organization, from the local counselors and nurses all the way up to the CEO's desk.

Through staff firings and organization-wide "retraining" regimens, even Planned Parenthood itself has confirmed the legitimacy of Live Action's findings (1). Meanwhile, state and federal responses to Live Action's exposés include criminal investigations (2), abortion center de-licensing (3), and the loss of over \$71 million in taxpayer funding (4).

Six years of undercover investigations and reporting by Live Action show that Planned Parenthood facilities consistently engage in the following:

- Covering up statutory rape
- Accepting donations for explicitly racist purposes
- Misleading and lying to women regarding the development of the pre-born child, the physical and psychological risks of abortion, and the processes behind adoption and parenting
- Aiding and abetting commercial sexual exploitation of women and girls
- Procuring taxpayer money by lying to media, patients, and taxpayers regarding the scope and emphasis of activities
- Facilitating abortions based solely on the sex of the child
- Lobbying for infanticide

In light of these continued offenses and criminal acts by Planned Parenthood, Live Action urges local, state, and federal authorities, in the interest of justice, to take the following measures:

- Suspend medical licenses of facilities at which abuses have been documented.
- Investigate facilities at which abuses have been documented.
- Subpoena ID-redacted medical records for underage patients at Planned Parenthood facilities in every jurisdiction.
- Immediately revoke government funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America and its affiliates.

Yours in the fight for life,

Lila Rose

President Live Action



## AN OVERVIEW OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) is the largest and oldest abortion business in the nation.

Originally founded by Margaret Sanger in 1916 to promote eugenics — "selective breeding," through which only those deemed "fit" to reproduce may have children —Planned Parenthood has grown to become the dominant corporation of the abortion industry and lobby.

Planned Parenthood, through over 80 affiliates, operates more than 700 facilities nationwide. Over 40% of those facilities perform surgical or medical abortions, and those facilities that cannot perform abortions themselves all refer to nearby Planned Parenthood facilities that can. Planned Parenthood boasted committing 327,166 abortions — about a third of the national total — in FY 2011-2012, the latest year with available data.

At a low-estimate average price of \$451 per procedure, abortion accounts for nearly \$150 million in annual revenue for Planned Parenthood. This is nearly half of the \$320 million Planned Parenthood generates from its facilities' operations each year. Overall, Planned Parenthood has a \$1.2-billion annual budget, about 45% of which comes from government funding. That is \$541 million in the last reported year, or over \$1.5 million a day in the form of taxpayer funds to the biggest abortion corporation in America.

Planned Parenthood lobbies against every possible law – from bans on sex-selective abortion to increased waiting periods before an abortion can be committed – that might curtail "abortion rights," through all nine months of pregnancy, at taxpayer expense. Meanwhile, the

organization shows little respect even for the laws currently on the books, from various state mandatory reporting requirements for suspected statutory rape to the federal Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002.

Out of the pockets of taxpayers, and upon the broken bodies of pre-born children, Planned Parenthood has built an abortion empire masked in the moderate façade of a mainstream medical provider. Planned Parenthood's size, resources, and public image make it the most potent propagator of legal abortion in America. Therefore, stopping Planned Parenthood is a critical step to ending abortion.



## 1

## CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

Child sexual abuse, and especially abuse of young girls, is a problem of epic proportions (1). Research indicates that one of every four girls and one of every six boys will experience some form of sexual abuse before the age 18 (2). Since proof of abuse often manifests in the form of pregnancy, abusers can find a natural ally in abortion centers, where they can literally destroy the evidence of their crimes. The pro-life community has long held that the abortion industry is specially situated to facilitate the sexual exploitation of young girls in this way.

In 2007 and 2008, Live Action investigated Planned Parenthood facilities across the country. We wanted to see if abortionists and their staff could be counted on to report the sexual abuse of young girls, as the law requires in every state.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

For this investigation, Lila Rose and another investigator posed as girls 13 to 15 years old, impregnated by much older men, variously given ages of 23, 27, or even 31. The investigators told Planned Parenthood workers they needed an abortion to preserve the sexual relationship with the older man and to keep it secret from their parents. Each investigator indicated that the older man had told her that it was important to get the abortion, without which he may "get in trouble."

The Child Sexual Abuse investigation audited only Planned Parenthood surgical abortion facilities, as we sought to examine the immediate connection between abortion provision and statutory rape cover-up. Investigation sites were also evaluated for the specifics of their respective states' statutory rape and mandatory reporting laws, as well as the presence or absence of a parental involvement statute.

#### **RESULTS**

Two facilities were recorded in 2007 as a "prologue" to the full Child Sexual Abuse project, which involved a multi-

state investigative tour during the summer of 2008. Ultimately, the Child Sexual Abuse investigation released undercover videos for 9 Planned Parenthood abortion centers in 6 states.

Every Planned Parenthood facility Live Action investigated revealed that staffers were willing to facilitate the abuse of minor girls by providing secret abortions. For example, a Planned Parenthood nurse in Bloomington, Indiana told our investigator how to lie about her abuser's age: "Just say you've seen him around; you know, he's 14; he's in your grade or whatever." This same nurse advised our investigator to go out of state to circumvent Indiana's parental consent law – and Planned Parenthood of Indiana, of which the Bloomington and Indianapolis facilities are affiliates, refused as early as 2005, three years before Live Action's investigation, to submit medical records to the state of sexually active "patients" (i.e., abuse victims) under 14 years old (3).

The abuse-covering counseling even took a turn for the manipulative in some cases. In Los Angeles, California, where the Planned Parenthood counselor told our

investigator the following: "If I could do it again" -- that is, decide whether to bear her own son, who at the time of the conversation was sixteen years old – "I would have done it very differently."

For a breakdown of Live Action's findings in the Child Sexual Abuse investigation, see Appendix A.

#### **ANALYSIS**

Planned Parenthood has many motives for engaging in the cover-up of sexual abuse. An abortion can run from \$300 to over \$950, depending on the gestation of the child, making the procedure a significant source of income (4). In fact, as former Planned Parenthood Director Abby Johnson explains, many Planned Parenthood affiliates set "abortion quotas" for their facilities to meet each week (5). An abortion client taken away by parental or law enforcement involvement represents the loss of a significant "sale."

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In addition to the financial motives, and perhaps even more primary, are Planned Parenthood's ideological motives for facilitating the sexual exploitation of children. Planned

## REALITY CHECK...

In 2002, a 39-year-old man impregnated his 13-year-old stepdaughter. He took her to a Planned Parenthood facility in Santa Clara, California for a pregnancy test that summer, and again in December for an abortion. Planned Parenthood referred the girl to San Francisco University hospital, where her 22-week baby was killed.

After the abortion, the sexual abuse continued until the following summer, when the girl's mother discovered the medical records from the abortion. Only then was the stepfather arrested.

Presented with two opportunities to intervene, Planned Parenthood asked no questions regarding the suspicious circumstances and returned this young girl to her abuser.

Parenthood's "abortion first" mentality sees adolescents as merely a mass of hormones needing and tending inexorably toward a sexual outlet – in Planned Parenthood's eyes, a young girl's or woman's pregnancy is merely a plumbing problem, and abortion is the solution. Planned Parenthood's own Mission Statement declares its belief that people have a right to all "reproductive health care" – contraceptives and even abortion – "regardless of age." Thus, Planned Parenthood's ideological

## CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE



Investigating Planned Parenthood in Bloomington, IN

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Planned Parenthood's prioritization of its own interests above those of abused minors is perhaps best illustrated by events at a facility in Tucson, Arizona. As noted in Appendix A, during the Child Sexual Abuse project, this Tucson facility readily agreed to cover up the supposed sexual abuse of a 15-year-old girl by her 27-year-old "boyfriend" (6). A few weeks after Live Action released footage of the encounter in March 2009, Lila Rose visited the abortion center again, this time without pretense. She walked up to the front desk and introduced herself, told the desk worker she was a student-journalist working on a story about the recent controversy, and asked to speak with the manager. The facility immediately threatened to call the police. To wit, Planned Parenthood did not call the police when presented with a victim of statutory rape but did call the police when presented with a pro-life reporter.

"I didn't hear the age.
I don't want to know the age."

### RACISM

Eugenics is a philosophy and pseudo-scientific movement that dates from the 1800s, with the goal of using controlled breeding to select for "better" human beings. Eugenics has historic connections to racism, population control, and the oppression of the poor and disabled, with proponents attempting to solve socio-economic disparities by preventing the "wrong stock" from reproducing.

Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood, was an avid eugenicist from the time she started the organization until her death in 1966. Sanger professed in 1921 that "the campaign for Birth Control is not merely of eugenic value, but is practically identical in ideal, with the final aims of Eugenics" (1). In her final televised interview in 1957, Sanger declared, "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 to be a human being practically. Delinquents, prisoners, all sorts of things just marked when they're born" (2).

In 1933, when writing to known racist Clarence Gamble concerning the "Negro Project" to spread contraception among African-Americans in the South, Sanger warned, "We do not want word to get out that we want to exterminate the African-American population" (3). Today, 79% of Planned Parenthood's surgical abortion facilities and 51% of all Planned Parenthood facilities are located in minority neighborhoods (4).

With all this in mind, Live Action sought to ascertain whether Planned Parenthood's eugenics-saturated origins, and the frightful mentality of its founder, continue to permeate its operations – especially considering the epidemic abortion rate among black (and, increasingly, Hispanic) Americans.



"Excuse my hesitation – this is the first time I've had a donor call and make this kind of request, so I'm excited and want to make sure I don't leave anything out."

#### **METHODOLOGY**

In 2007, Live Action investigators called development departments at seven different Planned Parenthood affiliates, posing as donors with a racist agenda to abort more black babies. Our investigator asked the Planned Parenthood affiliates if he could donate money specifically to pay for abortions on African-American women. Planned Parenthood affiliates are regional administrative centers for Planned Parenthood that typically manage 10 or more facilities in a given area.

Affiliates were chosen based on their location in states where recording phone conversations would be legal. They were also chosen in some states with significant KKK/white supremacist activity.

### **RESULTS**

The enthusiasm with which Planned Parenthood staffers, some of them quite high up on the official ladder, accepted proposed donations for the destruction of black babies surprised even our investigators. A director of development in Idaho, for example, proclaimed herself "excited" by the prospect; when our investigator expressed the conviction "the less black kids out there, the better," this director responded, "Understandable, understandable."

### ANALYSIS: PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S RACIST BUSINESS MODEL

Like the racist donor in the scenario, Planned Parenthood targets black Americans for abortion. While black women make up only 13% of the U.S. population, they account for 36% of all abortions (5).

"The most obvious practitioner of racism in the United States today is Planned Parenthood, an organization founded by the eugenicist Margaret Sanger and recently documented as ready to accept money to eliminate black babies."

### - Dr. Alveda King

Black women have an unintended pregnancy rate 2.8 times that of white women, but an abortion rate nearly five times as high. And even when factoring in a higher rate of "unintended" pregnancy among African-Americans, a black woman is still much more likely than a white woman to submit to an abortion. Contrary to some abortion apologists, a higher rate of abortion in the African-American community is not just a symptom of existing health care disparities – it is itself a health care disparity.

Planned Parenthood presents abortion as the solution to the problems within the African-American community, actively maintaining "Women in Need" and "Justice" funds to subsidize the abortions of poor and minority women (6). The fact that African-Americans and other minorities submit to abortion at such staggeringly high rates is evidence enough that there is no lack of access to abortion in minority communities, yet Planned Parenthood continues aggressively to target abortion to them under the guise of "increased access."

### IRACISM

It is worth noting that California recently passed legislation, advocated for and celebrated by Planned Parenthood, to lower the standard of care for surgical abortion by allowing non-doctors to perform the procedure (7). Planned Parenthood justified the legislation as necessary to ensure abortion access for low-income and minority women. California has no shortage of abortionists, and low-income and minority women abort at staggeringly high rates, yet according to Planned Parenthood, even more abortion is necessary for these vulnerable populations — even at the cost of lowering medical standards.

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# DECEPTIVE AND MANIPULATIVE COUNSELING

One foundational ethical principle of modern medicine is that patients have a right to give their informed consent to any treatment they receive. In fact, without a patient's consent to a medical procedure, the procedure itself may be nothing less than assault. In order to give consent to a procedure, the patient must truly know what she is consenting to. Thus, the American Medical Association states in its Code of Medical Ethics: "The physician's obligation is to present the medical facts accurately to the patient" (1).

The biological and medical facts about fetal development and abortion are well-known to science. Medical writings almost as old as the United States itself note that life begins at conception (2), and standard-issue modern embryology textbooks are unambiguous: "A zygote is the beginning of a new human being (i.e., an embryo)" (3).

In the *Planned Parenthood v. Rounds* informed consent case, Planned Parenthood's own bioethicist, Dr. Root Wolpe, admitted that "a living embryo or fetus in utero is a developing organism of the species Homo Sapiens" (4). What Dr. Wolpe did not admit is that all of us, no matter how old or how young, including Dr. Wolpe himself, are "developing organism[s] of the species Homo Sapiens" at every stage in our lives.

Furthermore, a growing body of literature indicates that abortion poses significant risks to a woman's physical and mental health. Induced abortion increases the risk of future miscarriage by 50% (5) and the risk of breast cancer by 30% (6). Additionally, one study showed a full 65% of American women experiencing multiple symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder following their abortions, while at least 14.3% met the full diagnostic criteria for abortion-related PTSD (7).

In view of the particular significance of informed consent for abortion, dozens of states have enacted statutes specifying a minimum of information that women must be provided with before undergoing an abortion. But even in states where specific informed consent laws for abortion exist, the statutes are often insubstantial and poorly enforced.

In claiming to offer medically accurate and unbiased counseling, Planned Parenthood would be expected to provide the above information to mothers considering abortion – especially in states where such disclosure is mandated by law, and even more especially considering the hundreds of thousands of dollars Planned Parenthood receives from the American taxpayer every year. But Live Action found that quite the opposite is the case, both in the counseling room, where medical misinformation abounds, and on the phone, where mothers considering abortion can count on hearing nothing about the grave risks the procedure entails.



Investigating Planned Parenthood in Virginia Beach, VA

"... we don't have any type of procedure where a woman would receive an injury."

#### **METHODOLOGY**

In the summer of 2009, Live Action conducted a multistate undercover investigation of Planned Parenthood to see what kind of counseling the nation's largest abortion chain gives to unsuspecting pregnant women. Our results corroborate the testimony of many post-abortive women – far from being unbiased, abortion counseling is saturated with subtle manipulations and egregious medical misinformation tailored to convince women to have the children in their wombs destroyed.

Planned Parenthood surgical abortion facilities were favored in preparing the investigation itinerary, although, when necessary, we substituted facilities that administer only medical abortions or provide only abortion counseling and referral. Between Planned Parenthood's larger abortion facilities and Planned Parenthood's smaller referral facilities, each group offers a unique window into the organization's abortion counseling.

In the summer of 2012, as pro-abortion U.S. President Barack Obama leaned heavily on Planned Parenthood for support in his re-election bid, Live Action revisited Planned Parenthood's penchant for manipulating and lying to potential abortion customers. Through the 501(c)(4) Live Action Advocate, Live Action investigators called Planned Parenthood locations where a hospitalization or death had recently occurred. The investigators asked if anyone had ever been hurt at these facilities – in short, if the abortion procedure is safe. What they were told was quite in keeping with the results of the 2009 investigation.

### **RESULTS**

Our investigators received an overwhelming breadth of medical misinformation from the Planned Parenthood facilities we audited in 2009. Even the most basic fetal development information was distorted in the Planned Parenthood counseling room – for example, in Appleton, Wisconsin, the Planned Parenthood nurse told our investigators that "heartbeat is when the fetus is active in the uterus – can survive – which is about 17 or 18 weeks." In truth, the human fetus's heart begins to beat by four weeks (8). Meanwhile, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, our



Investigating Planned Parenthood in Milwaukee, WI

investigators were told that a child in the womb at six to eight weeks' gestation has "no legs, no arms, no head, no brain, no heart." This could not be farther from the truth (9).

For a breakdown of Live Action's findings in the 2009 Deceptive & Manipulative Counseling investigation, see Appendix C.

To date, Planned Parenthood has never denounced the medical misinformation shown in Live Action's Deceptive & Manipulative Counseling videos. Planned Parenthood continues to defend its counseling practices as "medically accurate" (10).

While the 2009 Deceptive & Manipulative Counseling investigation showed Planned Parenthood's willingness to mislead and manipulate potential abortion customers on science, the 2012 investigation displayed the corporation covering up its own destructive handling of the procedure. Six Planned Parenthood facilities that had reported injuries or deaths anywhere from 24 to 2 months prior to our investigator's call promised that no one had ever been

"The fetus is the developing embryo inside of you. But at this point, there's nothing developing at all."

hurt there. Two of the more notable facilities caught lying about the dangers of abortion are Planned Parenthood's Birmingham Center in Alabama and its Loop Health Center in Chicago, Illinois.

The Birmingham Center was placed on probation by the State of Alabama in 2010 for deficiencies uncovered in the wake of Live Action's 2008 Child Sexual Abuse investigation (11), with multiple deficiency statements (12) (13) filed since. The Birmingham Center finally shut its doors in January 2014 under mysterious circumstances (14), with the claim that "[s]ervices ... are temporarily slowed" (15).

The Loop Center is infamous for the death of Tonya Reaves, whom abortionist Mandy Gittler allowed to bleed for five hours before calling an ambulance (16). A mere two months after this tragedy, Live Action's investigator asked a staffer at the Loop Center, "So no one's ever been hurt at your clinic?" The investigator was told, flat-out, "No."

For a breakdown of Live Action's findings in the 2012 supplement to our Deceptive & Manipulative Counseling investigation, see Appendix D.

### ANALYSIS: ANYTHING GOES IN MAKING THE ABORTION SALE

Planned Parenthood's website describes a first-trimester abortion in this way: "a hand-held suction device or a suction machine gently empties your uterus" (17). Conspicuously absent is any mention of what exactly is being emptied from the uterus.

The abortion industry has a history of challenging informed consent laws – and indeed, any laws regulating abortion at all – in court. Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion provider in America, has petitioned courts to overturn or enjoin informed consent laws in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Tennessee, Oklahoma, and many other states.

Planned Parenthood touts the "specially trained staff" (18) who provide options counseling – employees "professionally trained and knowledgeable about parenthood, adoption, and abortion" (19). At the same time, Planned Parenthood's website on options counseling includes several severe warnings against "so-called 'crisis pregnancy centers,'" which it calls "fake facilities" that "have a history of giving women wrong, biased information to scare them into not having abortions" (20).

### REALITY CHECK...

In January 2007, 21-year-old college student Edrica Goode was 14 weeks pregnant when she went to Planned Parenthood for the first appointment of a two-day second-trimester abortion.

A lawsuit alleges that the Planned Parenthood nurse inserted laminaria into Edrica's cervix despite noting a vaginal infection. The infection quickly became septic, and Edrica died five days later.

Edrica's mother said, "A lost dog gets more attention than my daughter did. This has really torn at my family."

Via the *Los Angeles Times*, the "California Department of Health Services issued a 'deficiency' finding June 29, saying that 'based on medical record reviews and staff interviews, the facility failed to report an unusual death occurrence involving a patient's death within 24 hours to the department.' The clinic is required to submit a plan of correction to the state within 10 days, said Lea Brooks, a Department of Health Services spokeswoman."

# DECEPTIVE AND MANIPULATIVE COUNSELING

But as Live Action's 2009 investigation revealed, Planned Parenthood's own counseling is saturated with fabricated medical misinformation and subtle pressures to choose abortion. Behind closed doors, this translates into exactly the sort of manipulation Planned Parenthood claims to oppose.

Planned Parenthood's policy of misleading women – in the counseling room, lying about fetal development, or on the telephone, lying about abortion's risks and dangers – can be easily explained in light of the corporation's "abortion first" mentality. Planned Parenthood's priorities are reflected in its own annual statistics: for the most recent year data is available, Planned Parenthood performed over 327,000 abortions and referred for 2,200 adoptions. The exact numbers come out to about 149 abortions performed for every adoption referral (21). As recorded in its latest statistical report, from October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012, Planned Parenthood provided only 19,506 prenatal services (compared to 327,166 abortions) and distributed 1.15 million pregnancy tests.

The abortion industry has a strong ideological commitment to downplaying and even eliminating consideration of the fetus in relation to abortion. Similarly, the organization has a strong practical commitment to covering up any and all injuries and deaths accrued in its facilities. In addition to the financial motive of facilitating a woman's abortion decision, proabortion advocates need to convince themselves and the public that abortion does not kill a human being — be it the child or the mother — in order to protect abortion as a social institution.

## **SEX-TRAFFICKING**

The sexual exploitation of minors in the United States is especially prevalent in the form of child sex-trafficking – a federal crime, punishable by 10 years to life in prison (18 USC 1592). Additionally, anyone who aids, abets, or counsels a federal crime to be committed may be prosecuted as if he or she had been the principal actor in the crime (18 USC 2).

Statistics from the Department of Justice indicate that over 100,000 children in the U.S. fall victim to sex-trafficking each year (1), and 300,000 to 400,000 American children are involved in some form of sex-trafficking annually (2). By the time they become adults, some girls who have been trafficked have been subjected to multiple abortions (3). An encounter with any health worker providing confidential services should be an opportunity for trafficking victims to escape from slavery, but in abortion facilities, as previous studies indicate, "confidentiality" soon becomes the secrecy needed for abuse to continue (4).

Live Action exposed Planned Parenthood's willingness to cover up the sexual abuse of children in 2007-2008. Three years later, in 2011, we decided to see if the United States' largest abortion corporation would fail another audit in a similar vein. This time, we conducted an investigation of Planned Parenthood's willingness to aid and abet the commercial sexual exploitation of minors.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

From January 11 to January 15, Live Action actors posing as a pimp and his "bottom girl," or chief prostitute, visited Planned Parenthood facilities in multiple states for STD testing, ultimately asking to speak with the manager because of their "delicate" situation. The pimp and prostitute revealed to workers that in their sex work operation, they "managed" several very young girls – 13 to 15 years old – from foreign countries. They said the girls spoke hardly any English but needed reproductive health care, including abortion, from Planned Parenthood in order to keep the sexual activity "safe" for customers.

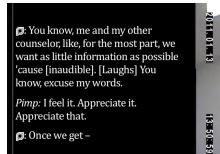
All states investigated were single-party consent-to-tape states. Because the Sex-Trafficking project investigated

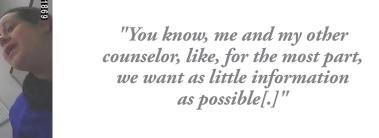
Planned Parenthood's aiding and abetting a federal crime, our scenario was applicable in any state. States and facilities were chosen, however, for their proximity to domestic sextrafficking hubs.

Contrary to initial claims made by Planned Parenthood, Live Action never visited Indiana in January 2011. This discrepancy is discussed in the "Analysis" section below.

### **RESULTS**

Live Action's Sex-Trafficking investigation revealed seven facilities in four different states willing to aid and abet the trafficking of minor girls by supplying confidential birth control, STD testing, and secret abortions to underage girls and their traffickers.





### Investigating Planned Parenthood in Perth Amboy, NJ

In Perth Amboy, New Jersey, for example, the Planned Parenthood facility manager coached our investigators on how to make their sex-trafficking ring "look as legit as possible" – this after our investigators made clear that they were "managing" underage, non-English-speaking foreign girls. "If they're minors," the manager said, "put down that they're students."

Planned Parenthood reacted to the Perth Amboy video release by firing the manager in question, allegedly for "behaving in a repugnant manner." Notably, Planned Parenthood took no additional action against any of the other facility employees who promised to aid our investigators among them a Richmond, Virginia staffer who assured our investigator that "[w]e're pretty good about when someone doesn't want someone else to know" and a Bronx, New York employee who coached our investigators on how to get health insurance for their sex slaves through taxpayer-funded programs. This strange and inconsistent course of action, reproduced in the wake of Live Action's 2012 Sex-Selective Abortion investigation, suggests that Planned Parenthood is comfortable with a token firing in the face of scrutiny, after which it is back to business as usual.

For a breakdown of Live Action's findings in the Sex-Trafficking investigation, see Appendix E.

### ANALYSIS: NO LOW TOO LOW FOR PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Pimps commercially exploiting minor girls can find natural partners in crime via the abortion industry. Industrial-scale contraception, STD testing, and abortion suppliers like Planned Parenthood are the perfect accomplices for large commercial sexual exploitation networks like trafficking rings.

Though the data from Live Action's Sex-Trafficking investigation speak for themselves regarding Planned Parenthood's willingness to partner with sex-traffickers, thus keeping innocent girls and young women trapped in a living hell, further analysis of Planned Parenthood's response to this investigation will prove telling as to just how deep the abortion industry's thirst for profits runs.

Planned Parenthood seems to report suspicious activities at its facilities only when it believes that it is being watched,

## **SEX-TRAFFICKING**

or feels it necessary to save face. Planned Parenthood has made much ado about its supposed reporting of Live Action's Sex-Trafficking investigative scenario to the FBI (5), but the truth reveals this fracas as a good example of Planned Parenthood's attitude toward reporting.

"AP Exclusive: Planned Parenthood seeks FBI probe," headlines blared on Monday, January 24, 2011 (6). On Tuesday, January 18, three days after the conclusion of Live Action's Sex-Trafficking investigation, Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards sent a letter to U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder, alerting him of a suspected multi-state sting at Planned Parenthood facilities.

Richards relayed the basic details of the Sex-Trafficking scenario and noted that if the scenario was real, it was a severe violation of federal law. Richards, however, made a point of suggesting that it was an activist sting — "a hoax" in order "to cast Planned Parenthood in a negative light" — and further insisting that such investigative methods "should be firmly condemned" (7).

This letter has been erroneously characterized by defenders of Planned Parenthood as proof that Planned Parenthood "did the right thing" in response to Live Action's investigation. "Planned Parenthood properly alerted the FBI," People for the American Way insisted (8). The "sting" "didn't really work," wrote Salon, "because Planned Parenthood quickly caught on and alerted the FBI" (9). "Planned Parenthood reported the potential sex-trafficking to the Attorney General and the FBI. So clearly, Planned Parenthood wasn't trying to cover anything up," Media

Matters reasoned (10).

In fact, Planned Parenthood was trying to cover something up — its own facilities' institutional blind eye to sex-trafficking. Richards's letter shows that Planned Parenthood "reported" potential sex-trafficking of children to the FBI only after it believed that it had been the target of a sting operation, and only after it needed a response to the potentially imminent release of what could be very damaging footage for Planned Parenthood's image. According to media reports, Planned Parenthood facility managers in New Jersey contacted their affiliate CEO — not the police — in response to Live Action's visits (11).

Finally, it is interesting to note that Richards's letter asserts that Indiana was one of the states visited by purported sex-traffickers from January 11 to January 15. In reality, Live Action never visited Indiana for the Sex-Trafficking investigation. This leaves a few possibilities to explain Richards's mention of Indiana. It could be a cynical play for sympathy through upping the number of sting targets, an artifact of affiliate paranoia...or, most troublingly, a real sex-trafficker whom Planned Parenthood was happy to help and then dismiss as a "hoax" along with Live Action's undercover visits.

# 5.

# FALSE ADVERTISING AND FRAUD

In 2011, the State of Indiana, under Governor Mitch Daniels, passed a law seeking to strip abortion giant Planned Parenthood of Medicaid funding in the state (1). Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards took to the airwaves, declaring, "I can't believe that the state legislature, or the U.S. Congress, is gonna tell me ... I can't go to the health care provider that I trust with my health." The Obama administration leaped to her defense, threatening to cut \$4.2 million from Indiana's budget should the state go through with cutting funds to Planned Parenthood.

In a similar vein, on two separate occasions, Planned Parenthood attempted to portray itself as providing mammograms for women. The first instance of this lie occurred in March 2011, when Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards sought to offset scandal and consequent proposed federal budget cuts against her organization. The second lie came from the lips of President Barack Obama himself, who alleged in the second 2012 presidential debate against Republican Mitt Romney that women "rely on" Planned Parenthood "for mammograms."

These institutional lies, coming from the top down, underline an important fact: Planned Parenthood thrives on abortion. However, despite the organization's best efforts, the destruction of children in the womb, especially in its later and more lucrative stages, continues to receive a mixed response at best from Americans. It is thus necessary for Planned Parenthood to fund an ongoing misinformation campaign, by front-loading severely diminished (Medicaid) or even completely fictitious (Mammosham) services to distract from the astronomical abortion income the organization brings in.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Both the Medicaid and Mammosham investigations (both installments) were born of statements from Planned Parenthood – or, in the case of the second Mammosham installment, statements from the president of the United States – requiring a rapid response. Thus, Live Action restricted its investigations to phone calls.

For Part 1 of the Mammosham investigation, our investigators asked simply if they could schedule a mammogram with Planned Parenthood. For Part 2, our investigators specifically referenced President Barack Obama's explicit statement that "women all across the country ... rely on Planned Parenthood ... for

mammograms" in seeking to procure a mammogram from Planned Parenthood.

### **RESULTS**

For the Medicaid investigation, Live Action released audio from five Planned Parenthood facilities in Indiana. As the investigation showed, there are over 800 non-Planned Parenthood Medicaid providers in Indiana, while Planned Parenthood serves 1% of Medicaid patients in the state. During the time when Planned Parenthood's Medicaid status was in flux, every provider Live Action's investigators called had no problem referring to other health care facilities.



"Well, it would be at a different agency altogether because we don't provide those services whatsoever."

For the first installation of our Mammosham project, Live Action released recordings of conversations with 11 Planned Parenthood facilities in 10 different states. For the second, we released conversations from 8 facilities in 8 different states.

A few Mammosham calls deserve special attention. In Indianapolis, Indiana, a Planned Parenthood staffer, in denying the ability to offer mammograms, told us, "We're mostly a surgical facility" – a glib way of stating that the facility's *raison d'être* is abortion. A Milwaukee, Wisconsin staffer was more explicit: "This location only does abortion services."

Meanwhile, in a protracted conversation with a Planned Parenthood staffer in Hawaii, our investigator was led to believe that she could get a mammogram at the facility. It was only after scheduling the appointment — which would cost up to \$100 — that the staffer revealed that, in fact, the only purpose of the Planned Parenthood exam would be to refer to a nearby radiology center. One could not be blamed for wondering why it costs \$100 simply to tell a woman in need of a mammogram to go elsewhere.

For a breakdown of our findings in the Medicaid and Mammosham investigations, see Appendix F.

### ANALYSIS: THE BIG LIE - LOUDLY AND OFTEN

There can be no denying that Planned Parenthood does not offer mammograms; as a matter of fact, it is illegal for any Planned Parenthood facility to do otherwise (2). As with many of Live Action's investigations, the lie being peddled by America's largest abortion corporation was obvious, but the disinterest – if not active cooperation – of mainstream journalists and politicians, up to and including the president himself, required Live Action's intervention.

Regarding Medicaid, Indiana's battle against funding an abortion corporation through Medicaid was cut short by a U.S. district judge in the summer of 2013 (3). Planned Parenthood often achieves its ends this way – using its billion-dollar taxpayer-funded budget and intricate political connections to steamroll any law that threatens the flow of income. However, the truth remains that there are options – to put it in language that Planned Parenthood might better understand, "choices" – aside from Planned

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## REALITY CHECK...

From *Crain's Chicago Business*: "The Illinois Medicaid inspector general is investigating the billing practices of the medical director of Planned Parenthood of Illinois, *Crain's* has learned.

"Dr. Caroline Hoke was reimbursed more than \$3 million by Medicaid during the state's 2009 fiscal year, making her the program's second-highest-paid doctor at the time, but the payments fell to zero by 2011, Crain's analysis of state records shows.

"The state Department of Healthcare and Family Services has withheld payments to Dr. Hoke until 'billing issues' are resolved, a DHFS spokesman confirms. He declines to comment on the details of the case.

"Planned Parenthood of Illinois CEO Carole Brite denies any wrongdoing, calling the inquiry a 'routine review.' She says the organization will have to repay the state, but she declines to say how much."

Parenthood for Medicaid recipients in Indiana and elsewhere. Women do not "need" Planned Parenthood, but Planned Parenthood does need women – for abortion income.

It is also important to note that Planned Parenthood has been accused of, and in some cases paid huge settlements for, massive fraud in several states over the past few years. These include Texas (4) (5); Iowa (6); California, New York State (and, separately, New York City), and Washington State (7) (8); and New Jersey (9) (10).

Though our Mammosham and Medicaid investigations powerfully laid out two outright, industry-wide lies propagated by Planned Parenthood, two brief investigative video campaigns cannot come close to exposing the breadth and the extent of the deception peddled by America's largest abortion corporation. From mammograms to Medicaid to sex education and abortion and beyond, Live Action, along with organizations such as the Alliance Defending Freedom (11) and physician-authors like Dr. Miriam Grossman (12), will continue to bypass the propaganda and expose the true face of Planned Parenthood.

## 6.

# SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTION

Sex-selective abortion (and, in some cases, infanticide), mainly against females, is known to be a major problem in certain Asian countries, as well as in some parts of Eastern Europe. In America, there are also powerful cultural assumptions and prejudices among certain populations that lead to a bias for sons over daughters (1). While the phenomenon is most established in India and China, it can also be identified in Indian, Chinese, and other immigrant populations in the United States.

Today, nearly 163 million girls have been killed worldwide because of sex-selection (2).

The idea of "family balancing" through sex-selection is increasingly promoted to couples of all demographics through the use of assisted reproductive technologies. In addition, newly marketed over-the-counter blood and urine tests are now making accurate sex-determination possible in the first trimester of pregnancy – and thus opening the door to convenient first-trimester sex-selective abortions.

Live Action's Sex-Selective Abortion investigation establishes that Planned Parenthood and the rest of the abortion industry, beholden to their abortion-first mentality, where any reason for abortion is a good one, will welcome with open arms the search-and-destroy mission against baby girls in America.

### **METHODOLOGY**

Live Action's Sex-Selective Abortion project primarily targeted facilities in states that either have significant immigrant populations in which sex-selection is a known phenomenon or have laws against sex-selective abortion. Only facilities in states where it is legal to record were chosen.

Specific Planned Parenthood surgical abortion facilities were chosen according to their location in major population centers in states that met the above criteria, and their practice of abortion far enough into the second trimester (at least to 15 weeks or so) for sex-selection scenarios to be possible, with some buffer room (gender tests cannot be taken until the tenth week of pregnancy). Other criteria for selection of a facility included the

Live Action's Gendercide investigation establishes that Planned Parenthood and the rest of the abortion industry will welcome with open arms the searchand-destroy mission against baby girls into America.

ethnicity of the doctor (Indian, Asian, or black), if the doctor was a woman, facilities with a very pronounced feminist orientation, and facilities that were later-term or otherwise seemed seedy. Some facilities were also chosen because they are part of a local or regional chain. This methodology yielded a total of five Planned Parenthood facilities investigated in four different states.



**Investigating Planned Parenthood in New York City** 

#### RESULTS

Every Planned Parenthood facility Live Action investigated aided our investigators in finding out the sex of her child to ascertain the need for a sex-selective abortion. A staffer at the Planned Parenthood Margaret Sanger Center in New York even accounted for the possibility of our investigator needing to get several sex-selective abortions before conceiving a boy.

Without exception, Planned Parenthood staffers were happy to help our investigators identify and selectively abort female fetuses. Where our investigator was unsure of the gender of her pre-born child, all facilities helped her find a doctor to do a diagnostic ultrasound to determine it. Where these Planned Parenthood employees could not recommend an abortion-friendly OB/GYN for the ultrasound, they counseled our investigators simply to keep quiet about the reason. Some Planned Parenthood facilities even suggested ways to use taxpayer money to fund the abortions – in which case remaining silent about the abortive motivation for the ultrasound would be especially important.

For a breakdown of Live Action's findings in the Sex-Selective Abortion investigation, see Appendix G. "You know, it depends on what type of testing – prenatal testing – you're doing."

### ANALYSIS: THE SEARCH-AND-DESTROY OF LITTLE GIRLS

In 1967, Planned Parenthood Federation of America's director of research, Steven Polgar, described how demographers had identified the "stopping rule," which linked the number of children a couple had to the sex of their children. The "rule" suggests that across cultures, couples are more likely to stop having children once they have a son. Thus, Polgar theorized that introducing a modern, accurate method of sex-selection could be an effective tool for population control (3).

That same year, Planned Parenthood's Alan Guttmacher encouraged the Population Council to fund research into methods for sex-selection. The Population Council's president, Bernard Berelson, advocated sex-selection as a method of population control in a 1969 article in *Science* magazine titled "Beyond Family Planning" (4).

Forty-five years later, there are two main obstacles to sexselection: the cost and the accuracy of available methods. Methods like pre-conception sorting of sperm or preimplantation genetic diagnosis of IVF embryos are accurate but highly expensive, costing tens of thousands of

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dollars (5). Sex-selective abortion, by contrast, can cost under \$1,000, requiring only that one can accurately tell the sex of the fetus to be aborted (6). For a "successful" sex-selective abortion, the baby must be old enough for the sex to show on a convenient ultrasound but still young enough for a more affordable second-trimester abortion to be available.

In 2012, Planned Parenthood showed that it has not deviated from its roots. Still unfazed by the destruction of girls in the womb just for being girls, Planned Parenthood's staff had no problem aiding our investigators in pursuing sex-selective abortions.

As with Live Action's Sex-Trafficking investigation in 2011, Planned Parenthood responded to our Sex-Selective Abortion investigation by firing a single employee – in this case, the first one exposed, in Austin, Texas. The coun-selor, according to Planned Parenthood, was "serving in an entry-level position" and "did not follow our protocol" (7). However, when similar apparent breaches of protocol surfaced – most notably in Honolulu, Hawaii, where a counselor advised our investigator on how to procure taxpayer funds for a late-term sex-selective abortion – Planned Parenthood did nothing. The Austin employee was clearly another token PR firing by Planned Parenthood, having the misfortune not of being caught, but simply of being the first one to get caught.

Planned Parenthood said in its statement that "[w]ithin three days" of the Austin encounter, "the staff member's employment was ended and all staff members at this affiliate [Planned Parenthood does not specify which one] were immediately scheduled for retraining in managing unusual patient encounters." Setting aside whether the Planned Parenthood staffer's employment was truly terminated three days after our investigation - and not, for instance, three days before the release of Planned Parenthood's statement on the matter – the language "unusual patient encounters" is telling. Considering Planned Parenthood's long history of covering up sexual abuse and aggressively defending abortion for any reason, one could conclude that this "retraining," assuming that it happened at all, was oriented toward identifying Live Action's investigators rather than identifying situations that are dangerous, or even deadly, for women and children.

Live Action's Sex-Selective Abortion investigation revealed more than just Planned Parenthood's willingness to help mothers destroy their babies for the "sin" of being conceived female. From partaking in schemes to procure taxpayer-funded abortions to counseling our investigators to lie to anyone who might get in the way, Planned Parenthood showed once again its company policy: getting the abortion – and getting paid for it – comes before any other consideration.



### **INFANTICIDE**

#### PLANNED PARENTHOOD ENDORSES INFANTICIDE

In 2013, Live Action released the results of our *Inhuman* investigation, in which undercover investigators recorded abortionists and their staff giving assurances that any babies born after a failed abortion attempt would be left to die. Such protocol stands in direct conflict with the federal Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002.

Three notable examples from this investigation came from the following locations:

- Washington, D.C. Late-term abortionist Cesare Santangelo described how he asphyxiates fully developed babies in the womb by cutting their umbilical cords in utero. Should a baby survive this procedure and be born alive, Santangelo promised our investigator, "we would not help it."
- The Bronx, New York. A veteran (ten-year) counselor at the Dr. Emily Center, run by abortionist Brian Park, told our investigator that, should she deliver her child at home during the multi-day late-term abortion procedure, she should simply "[f]lush it!" Should the child be delivered alive in the facility, on the other hand, staff would submerge him or her in a "toxic" "solution" until he or she stops breathing. "The solution will make it stop."
- **Phoenix, Arizona.** A counselor, when asked how the facility handles a baby born alive after a failed late-term abortion procedure, assured our investigator that "[t]hey do not resuscitate." Abortionist Laura Mercer told our investigator that a 24-week-old fetus "doesn't even look like a baby yet."

While Live Action's *Inhuman* investigation did not include Planned Parenthood facilities – most of the Planned Parenthood centers that commit late-term abortions are located in states with two-party consent recording laws – America's largest abortion corporation did enter into the infanticide debate during a legislative hearing in Tallahassee, Florida.

On March 29, 2013, the Florida State Legislature, in considering HB 1129, the Infants Born Alive Act (itself inspired by the atrocities of abortionist and convicted murderer Kermit Gosnell, discussed below), allowed Planned Parenthood to testify in the form of representative Alisa LaPolt Snow. Snow, a lobbyist for the Florida Alliance of Planned Parenthood Affiliates, condemned the proposed law, even under repeated questioning by Florida legislators (1).

Marc Thiessen, in the Washington Post, reported that "[j]aws in the committee room dropped" (2).

Florida Rep. Jim Boyd asked Snow, "If a baby is born on a table as a result of a botched abortion, what would Planned Parenthood want to have happen to that child that's struggling for life?" Snow's response: "We believe that, you know, any decision that's made should be left up to the woman, her family, and the physician." Snow held to her position under further questioning – for example, when Rep. Jose Oliva said, "I think at that point, the patient would be the child struggling on a table. Wouldn't you agree?"

Those who run Planned Parenthood recognize that the corporation can endorse no concrete restraint on abortion, be it gestational limits, inherent characteristics (race, sex, etc.), or disability status. Any such acknowledgment paves the way for further restrictions on the destruction of innocent human lives – and the diminishment of Planned Parenthood's profits.



Planned Parenthood Rep. Alisa LaPolt Snow

"We believe that, you know, any decision that's made should be left up to the woman, her family, and the physician."

### PLANNED PARENTHOOD AND THE KERMIT GOSNELL TRIAL

While Live Action was investigating late-term abortion centers for its *Inhuman* project, law enforcement and the judicial system were processing their own representative from this grim profession.

In 2010, authorities raided Kermit Gosnell's late-term abortion facility following allegations that he was using his abortion facility as front to illegally dispense prescription

drugs. The conditions they found earned the Philadelphia facility the name "House of Horrors."

Gosnell kept aborted babies' feet in jars and fetal parts in the staff lunch refrigerator. He used surgical equipment stained with blood without bothering to sterilize it. The facility was filthy and in disrepair, and emergency exits were bolted shut.

One of Gosnell's abortions killed 19-week-pregnant Karnamaya Mongar. According to the Grand Jury Report following Gosnell's arrest, it took rescue personnel "twenty minutes" to cut the locks on the emergency exit to transport Mongar into an ambulance (3).

Most of Gosnell's many other victims were babies; he delivered them alive and then cut their spinal cords. Gosnell himself did not call this process "murder," preferring the term "ensuring fetal demise." He did not understand why he had been arraigned for the babies' deaths.

Gosnell's trial began on March 18, 2013. His former employees' testimonies proved nightmarish. Steven Massof, an unlicensed medical school graduate, testified that "it would rain fetuses. Fetuses and blood all over the place." Unlicensed and untrained facility workers performed ultrasounds, administered anesthesia, and aided Gosnell in severing the spinal cords of "hundreds" of live babies. Sherry West recounted a baby, born alive and tossed in a glass dish, who screamed as he or she died (4).

When Gosnell was convicted of first-degree murder of three infants and manslaughter in the death of Karnamaya Mongar, Eric Ferrero, vice president for communications of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, called Gosnell a "criminal" who committed "appalling crimes" (5). Ferrero's statement did not specify these "crimes," nor did Planned Parenthood ever acknowledge Gosnell's pre-born and infant victims.

### THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD DELAWARE "MEAT MARKET"

In trying to separate itself from Gosnell, Planned Parenthood called the abortionist's Philadelphia House of Horrors a "criminal enterprise, not a health facility" (6). (Planned Parenthood offered no comment whatsoever on the results of Live Action's *Inhuman* investigation.)

Yet on May 29, 2013, just a few weeks before Gosnell's July conviction, two former Planned Parenthood nurses attested to Gosnell-like conditions at Planned Parenthood of Delaware in Wilmington. In a Delaware State Senate hearing, nurses Jayne Mitchell-Werbrich and Joyce Vasikonis testified that Planned Parenthood of Delaware was facilitating a "meat-market style of assembly-line abortions." After multiple ignored complaints to the corporation itself, Mitchell-Werbrich and Vasikonis had quit the facility – which they condemned as "an absolute nightmare" – for fear of losing their medical licenses (7).

In August, Melody Meanor, a former health care manager at the same Planned Parenthood facility, attested to the reliability and good character of Mitchell-Werbrich and Vasikonis. Meanor condemned the corporation for "attempt[ing] to discredit the testimony" of the two nurses and added that she had witnessed similar alarming standards of care.

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In an interview with Kirsten Powers of the Daily Beast, Meanor elaborated: "I saw the disorganization of the clinic, charts being everywhere, and a large number of sexually transmitted disease (STD) results that were not reported to patients in a timely manner. Some were eventually reported...a year later." Meanor's complaints to Planned Parenthood, like Mitchell-Werbrich's and Vasikonis's, were ignored.

### As Powers summarizes:

Mitchell-Werbrich's testimony echoed prior concerns she has raised publicly and privately with government regulators. She said she saw abortion doctor Timothy Liveright "slapping a patient," and placing patients on "operating tables still wet with the blood from the previous patient." He refused to wear sterilized gloves during procedures and would sing "hymns about sin to girls during the painful dilation phase of an abortion" and play "Peek-A-Boo" with patients. She said he "rushed abortions" and allowed "sedated patients to wander down [the street] dazed and confused." Then there were the unsterilized instruments that were routinely used on patients. If any of this sounds familiar, then you probably read the Gosnell Grand Jury Report. (8)

In the wake of widespread reporting of disgusting and health-hazardous conditions, the Delaware Division of Public Health forced the Wilmington facility to close – but the state of Delaware, which is notoriously negligent in enforcing the scant abortion laws it has, allowed the abortion center to reopen barely more than a week later. Abortionist Liveright, meanwhile, received a reprimand and a \$1,500 fine from the Delaware Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline in early January of 2014. Mitchell-Werbrich expressed bewilderment at the punishment: "A \$1,500 fine? That's a couple abortions. That's a joke" (9).

Planned Parenthood Delaware, in an official press release, declared itself satisfied with the above outcome – "[w]e are pleased that this has been resolved" – even as Liveright himself said that "Planned Parenthood is partly to blame for all of this." "They've allowed this circus to continue. It's partly because they never listened to these women to begin with" (10).

Planned Parenthood Delaware's canned and noncommittal response to the stomach-turning allegations leveled against the company exposes a fundamental problem in the ethos at America's largest abortion corporation. A final quotation from Joyce Vasikonis will illustrate the point: "What I discovered was that the culture at Planned Parenthood of Delaware was focused on maximizing profits and the bottom line. Not quality health care for women" (11).

# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### **INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS**

As shocking as the content of Live Action's individual undercover visits have been, what is even more disturbing is the frequency with which our investigative teams find legal and ethical violations.

In 16 separate clinic visits, over the course of barely three years, Planned Parenthood facilities consistently covered up statutory rape and aided and abetted the commercial sexual exploitation of children. Every facility we have investigated – not just in our Deceptive & Manipulative Counseling investigation, but in every investigation – peddles scientifically false and coercively misleading information to incite mothers into choosing to have their pre-born children killed. All facilities, seemingly as a point of Planned Parenthood policy, downplay the health risks of abortion to women, both in the immediate and later in life. And Live Action found five out of five Planned Parenthood facilities willing to facilitate sex-selective abortions against baby girls, allegedly under the aegis of being "non-judgmental."

These cannot be dismissed as isolated incidents. These facilities' behavior is part of a pattern – an institutional directive to seek out abortion, and the income it brings, at any cost.

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PUBLIC POLICY & GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

In some cases — manipulative counseling, lies, fraud — Planned Parenthood has proven itself a negligent and untrustworthy caretaker of the health of our nation's women and children. There is no justification, excepting the most venal and cynical motives possible, to force taxpayers to fund such an organization.

The evidence showing organizationwide abuses, law-breaking, and corruption at Planned Parenthood is overwhelming. Lawmakers, public officials, and those with the power to act must do so immediately.

In other cases, however – sex-selective abortion, sextrafficking, child sexual abuse – this abortion corporation represents a clear and present danger to the American people. From sending underage abuse victims back to their abusers (after hurting them, both physically and psychologically, via a secret abortion) to facilitating sexslavery to enabling the most egregious possible form of discrimination against females, Planned Parenthood has established itself as an enemy of the public welfare.

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In light of the now-staggering evidence of corruption and lawlessness at Planned Parenthood, Live Action makes several recommendations in the interests of justice:

### Investigate.

As has been clearly demonstrated in Live Action's report, there is more than reasonable cause to suspect that Planned Parenthood facilities across the country are engaging not only illegal behavior, but in dangerous and life-threatening practices. A thorough and detailed investigation of Planned Parenthood facilities across the country is needed to ascertain the depth and the breadth of the depravity of this organization. Wherever Planned Parenthood is unwilling to surrender necessary records – particularly in the case of non-reporting of sexual abuse of minors – law enforcement must subpoena them.

### Suspend.

Medical licenses are granted under the assurance that the licensee will "do no harm." In light of Live Action's investigations, it is clear that Planned Parenthood personnel are not in compliance with the basic tenets of the medical profession. They should thus have their licenses suspended pending further investigation. Moreover, all licenses of Planned Parenthood employees and facilities should be suspended until such a time as individual practitioners and facilities can demonstrate a history of good practice of medicine.



Planned Parenthood in Bryan, TX Closed for failing to meet basic health standards.

### Defund.

It is a travesty that taxpayer funding – over \$500 million in the latest available year – forms the foundation of an industry as health-hazardous and contemptuous of the law as Planned Parenthood. Americans should not be forced to support such a repugnant corporation; thus, Planned Parenthood must be immediately divested of taxpayer money.

The evidence showing organization-wide abuses, lawbreaking, and corruption at Planned Parenthood is now overwhelming. Lawmakers, public officials, and those with the power to act must do so immediately.

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## **RESULTS: CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE**

FACILITY LOCATION	GIRL'S AGE / MAN'S AGE	MANDATORY REPORTING OF SUSPECTED STATUTORY RAPE?	COUNSELING TO CIRCUMVENT PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT?
Los Angeles, CA	15 / 23	None. Counselor pressures girl to get an abortion: "If I could do it again, I would have done it very differently."	N/A
Los Angeles, CA	15 / 23	"Just figure out a birth date that works, and I don't know anything."	N/A
Indianapolis, IN	13 / 31	"I don't care how old he is."	"Think of the states surrounding Indiana and do some research."
Bloomington, IN	13 / 31	"I didn't hear the age. I don't want to know the age."  "Just say you've seen him around, you know he's 14, he's in your grade or whatever."	Counselor advises girls to visit a nearby state without parental consent laws for the abortion: "I cannot tell you this, but I can show you this." Counselor gives girls paper with out-of-state clinic addresses.
Phoenix, AZ	15 / 27	"We don't ask any questions."	"You would have to call our counselor and arrange it with her and what she will do is she will go with you to court. From what I hear, it's a very easy process."

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Phoenix, AZ	15 / 27	"I wouldn't take him with me, no. I mean, don't take him with you."	"When you see the judge, dress up; look mature."
Memphis, TN	14 / 31	"Just say you have a boyfriend 17 years old, whatever."	"They're gonna ask you, 'You want to have this done, this is your decision?' And you're gonna say 'Yes.' Ok, the judge is gonna sign a paper and he's gonna give it to you."
Birmingham, AL	14 / 31	"Everything you tell us stays within these walls."  "Talk to Miss Desiree Bates, she's the health center manager."  "She does bend the rules a little bit."	"Has to be someone with the same last name."
Milwaukee, WI	14 / 31	"If you disclose that information, it's up to them if they're gonnna report it."  "It's up to you, just give them the information that's needed."	PP: "You have to get a judicial bypass."  Girl: "Is it pretty easy to get?"  PP: "Yeah, yeah. You can just tell them, you know –"



### **RESULTS: RACISM**

Every Planned Parenthood contacted agreed to process the racist donations. Live Action recorded the following conversations:

## Planned Parenthood of Central Ohio (Lisa Hutton, Administrative Assistant):

Donor: There's definitely way too many black people in Ohio, so I am just trying to do my part.

PP: OK, whatever.

Donor: Well, blacks especially need abortions, so that's what I'm trying to do.

PP: For whatever reason, we'll accept the money.

Donor: OK. Great, thank you.

## Planned Parenthood of Idaho (Autumn Kersey, Director of Development):

Donor: What about abortions for the underprivileged minority groups?

PP: Oh absolutely. We have, um, in fact, uh, wonderful, fantastic news. We just received a very generous donation to our women in need fund.

Donor: Wonderful. I want to specify that abortion to help a minority group – would that be possible?

PP: Absolutely.

Donor: Like the black community, for example?

PP: Certainly.

Donor: OK. So the abortion – I can give money specifically for a black baby, that would be the purpose?

PP: Absolutely. If you wanted to designate that your gift be used to help an African-American woman in need, then we would certainly make sure that the gift was earmarked for that purpose.

Donor: Great, because I really faced trouble with affirmative action, and I don't want my kids to be disadvantaged against black kids. I just had a baby; I want to put it in his name.

PP: Yes, absolutely.

Donor: And we don't, you know we just think, the less black kids out there, the better.

PP: Understandable, understandable.

Donor: Right. I want to protect my son, so he can get into college.

PP: Alright. Excuse my hesitation – this is the first time I've had a donor call and make this kind of request, so I'm excited and want to make sure I don't leave anything out.

## Planned Parenthood of New Mexico (Irene Gray, Director of Grants):

Donor: Can I make the abortion specifically for a minority group?

PP: Like a specific group of –?

Donor: Yeah, I mean I wanted the abortion to be for an African-American baby.

PP: OK.

Donor: And I was wondering if that would be possible.

PP: The exact amount we charge right now is \$450 for an abortion.

Donor: Okay, \$450?

PP: Mhm. And we can definitely designate it for an African-American.

Donor: Wonderful.

## Planned Parenthood of Arkansas & Oklahoma (Susan Riggs, Vice President of Development):

PP: Yes!

Donor: So would it be possible for me to donate that money specifically for these minority groups so that they could have access to abortions?
PP: Yes, it would be.
Donor: Wonderful. Could I specify those abortions be done for a particular minority group? How does that work?
PP: If you wish, you can.
Donor: OK. So for example, the black community in Tulsa. Would it be possible to give money specifically for that?
PP: You sure can.
Donor: Wonderful. Great. The abortions will be done specifically for black community abortions?
PP: I will mark it in such a way that definitely it will.
Donor: On a black baby?
PP: Yes.
Donor: Thank you. Great.
PP: OK?
Donor: Great. So, can I give you my credit card number?



### **RESULTS: DECEPTIVE & MANIPULATIVE COUNSELING (2009)**

Summary of Medical Misinformation and Manipulative Counseling Observed at Planned Parenthood Facilities

## 1. Medical Misinformation about the Pre-Born Child (3 facilities: Appleton, Indianapolis, Milwaukee)

Planned Parenthood counselors say the pre-born child's heart starts to beat at 8 weeks, 10 weeks, or 18 weeks, and even that the child has no arms, legs, head, heart, or brain at 6 weeks. They call the human fetus "tissue" and "fetal matter." They circularly define the scientific term fetus as embryo and embryo as fetus, but they are abundantly clear on one non-scientific point – it's not a baby.

## 2. Medical Misinformation about Abortion's Physical Risks (2 facilities: Appleton, Indianapolis)

Planned Parenthood claims that abortion is "much safer" than carrying to term and that more women die from giving birth than from having an abortion. According to Planned Parenthood, contrary to a growing, recent body of scientific literature, abortion does not affect future fertility.

### 3. Medical Misinformation about Abortion's Psychological Risks (1 facility: Indianapolis)

Planned Parenthood tells women that abortion will have no negative psychological effects, though still offers "emotional support" afterward.

## **4. Manipulation: Money** (1 facility: Milwaukee)

Planned Parenthood counselors routinely point to the financial difficulties of raising a child, while advertising Planned Parenthood's competitive financial aid options for abortion.

### **5. Manipulation: Directive Counseling** (1 facility: Milwaukee)

Planned Parenthood plays on women's fears and uncertainty about pregnancy and the abortion decision. They build women up with statements like "Raising a child is difficult, but if you want to wing it, and do it..." only to tear them down in the next sentence with a sobering "That's something you'd really have to think about. Call the clinic as soon as you know your decision."

## **6. Manipulation: Political Propaganda** (2 facilities: Milwaukee, Indianapolis)

Planned Parenthood emphasizes that abortion is the woman's "right," for "any reason." Counselors often make disparaging remarks about pro-lifers. They claim that abortion images are fake.

## 7. Contempt for Informed Consent Laws (1 facility: Appleton)

Planned Parenthood workers may, when pressed, offer to show women informed consent materials published under state law. Even while holding the materials in their hands and showing them to women, Planned Parenthood counselors try to downplay the information within them.

## SPECIFIC MEDICAL MISINFORMATION AND MANIPULATIVE COUNSELING OBSERVED AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD FACILITIES

## WISCONSIN

## **FINDINGS**

Appleton North Health Center 3800 N Gillett St Appleton, WI 54912 When the girls ask if the pre-born baby has a heartbeat at 10 weeks LMP, the counselor answers them emphatically in the negative: "Heart tones are at seven weeks. Heart beat is when the fetus is active in the uterus – can survive – which is about 17 or 18 weeks." In the span of two sentences, the counselor makes a non-medical distinction trying to dehumanize the heartbeat as "heart tones," gives false information about when cardiac activity begins, regardless, and claims that a fetus is not active in the uterus until the middle of the second trimester. The counselor also refuses to elaborate on what a fetus is, but simply insists that it is not a baby.

PP Employees: Nurse, Dr. Gary Prohaska (abortionist) Date: September 8, 2009 The abortion doctor, Dr. Prohaska, follows a similar line. He defines "fetus" as the "embryo that's developing inside." When asked what an embryo is, he circularly defines it as "the pregnancy" and then "something growing inside your uterus, and it's called a fetus." Prohaska urges the woman to the effect that "the sooner you have an abortion, the better" and insists that "abortion is much safer than having a baby. You know, women die having babies."

Northwest Health Center 5380 W Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee, WI 53216 The counselor tells the girls that a pre-born child six to eight weeks LMP has "no legs, no arms, no head, no brain, no heart," and while she refers to "fetal matter" being expelled during an abortion, she claims, "There's not a baby at this point." Asked what a fetus is, she gives this inaccurate and circular answer: "The fetus is the developing embryo inside of you. But at this point there's nothing developed at all."

## WISCONSIN

PP Employees: Counselor Date: September 9, 2009

## **FINDINGS**

The counselor emphasizes the burdens to finances and lifestyle of having a baby and concludes, "If you don't feel financially stable or you don't feel ready to have a baby, then I would go with abortion. But if you feel that you can wing it, and do it, and you want to continue with the pregnancy, that's something that you'd really have to think about."

## **INDIANA**

Planned Parenthood 8847 Commerce Park Place, Suite J Indianapolis, IN 46368 PP Employee: Sarah (Counselor) Date: September 11, 2009

## **FINDINGS**

Findings: When the girls ask when the baby's heart starts to beat, Sarah says, "Usually it can start – it's around I think the 8th or the 9th week that you can hear the heartbeat." She also claims that abortion images are fake and that "there's no way they could have obtained those pictures." Sarah also says, "In terms of number of complications, it's safer. Having an abortion is safer than carrying to term," and it won't harm future fertility.



## RESULTS: DECEPTIVE & MANIPULATIVE COUNSELING (2012)

FACILITY LOCATION	HAS ANYONE BEEN HURT?	TIME OF LAST KNOWN INJURY
Virginia Beach, VA	"No, Ma'am."	12 months prior to call
St. Paul, MN	"Both of the procedures are safe and effective[.]"	5 months prior to call (additional injury 6 months prior)
Sioux City, IA	"It's very safe, and, um, the doctors are very skilled at what they do."	9 months prior to call
Boise, ID	"[The two abortion procedures]'re both incredibly safe."	1 month prior to call
Birmingham, AL	" we don't have any type of procedure where a woman would receive an injury."	24 months prior to call
Houston, TX	"No."	1 month prior to call
Chicago, IL	"Yes, it's safe."	2 months prior to call (Tonya Reaves killed)



#### **RESULTS: SEX-TRAFFICKING**

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Roanoke, VA	Clinic manager Leslie offers the pimp	Facility Manager
	information on birth control and STD	
	testing for his 14- and 15-year-old	

**DECEDIDATION** 

prostitutes, even though he says he is having sex with them, too. She advises him go to the health department for free testing.

Charlottesville, VA

Samantha is uncomfortable with the pimp's story of having sex with underage prostitutes and "managing them," but admits, "We do see teens and stuff, young," and offers, "Everything here is confidential. We can't give any

Clinic manager Marla is not fazed by the pimp's sex-trafficking story. When he mentions that the girls are teenagers, she says, "Teens can obviously be a different issue; there's parental consent and everything in the state of VA and there's obviously statutory rape and issues as far as that goes," but she says an ID will be required only for abortion appointments, not testing or birth control. She gives the

services before he leaves.

information out."

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Facility Manager

Falls Church, VA

pimp a price list of Planned Parenthood

#### **RESULTS: SEX-TRAFFICKING**

## **FACILITY LOCATION**

## **DESCRIPTION**

## STAFFLEVEL

Richmond, VA

Kimberley says Planned Parenthood has no problem with the pimp and prostitute managing teenage prostitutes: "We see people from all walks of life here – for a while, we were treating all the girls at Paper Moon and various other places around town," so the clinic is used to seeing sex workers. She says if one of the girls needs an abortion, the clinic can help her use the judicial bypass process to get around Virginia's parental consent law: "We're pretty good about when someone doesn't want someone else to know." She also tells the pimp and prostitute they can set up the girls' zappointments for them online.

Staffer

Washington, D.C. (Egypt Center)

The clinic worker tells the prostitute she can bring in the underage girls she manages to get testing and birth control on a cheaper sliding scale but recommends that they come in individually to avoid crowds. She refers to the Downtown Center or centers in Virginia and Maryland for abortion.

Staffer

## **I APPENDIX**

### **RESULTS: SEX-TRAFFICKING**

## **FACILITY LOCATION**

## DESCRIPTION

## **STAFFLEVEL**

Perth Amboy, NJ

Clinic manager Amy Woodruff coaches the pimp and prostitute to have their girls lie about their ages so the clinic will not report. She promises that she will "tweak some information" and "alter the story" in order to keep their sex business secret. She suggests that the girls put down that they're students in order to make it "look as legit as possible" and get cheaper fees.

Facility Manager

Bronx, NY

Krystal tells the pimp and prostitute that, "We see girls as young as 13 here," and that the girls will not be asked about their work as prostitutes. She says if the pimp and prostitute sign off as the girls' "guardians," the clinic can get them cheaper fees for birth control and testing , considering them "unemployed" because the pimp and prostitute "support" them.

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## RESULTS: FALSE ADVERTISING & FRAUD // MEDICAID INVESTIGATION

FACILITY LOCATION (IN INDIANA)	MEDICAID REFERRAL?	WHERE	OTHER
Terre Haute	Yes	"Primary care physician"	" if you have Medicaid, you should have a primary care physician listed with your Medicaid."
Fort Wayne	Yes	Neighborhood Health Clinic	
Merrillville	Yes	North Shore Hospital	"[T]hey have the same services we have."
Indianapolis	Yes	"Primary doctor"	"They would be able to provide the same services?" "Yes."
Michigan City	Yes	"Your primary doctor"	"[Y]our primary doctor should be able to do that. I mean, that's what they're there for."

## RESULTS: FALSE ADVERTISING & FRAUD // MAMMOSHAM INVESTIGATION (PART 1, 2011)

FACILITY LOCATION	OFFER MAMMOGRAMS?	OTHER
Indianapolis, IN (Georgetown Center)	No	"We're mostly a surgical [abortion] facility."
Indianapolis, IN (Midtown Center)	No	"We don't here."
Washington, D.C.	No	"[W]e do not offer, like, um, the mammogram."
Atlanta, GA	No	"We do not."
St. Louis, MO	No	"We don't."
Perth Amboy, NJ	No	"We don't do mammograms here, though."
New York, NY	No	"We don't offer mammograms."
Burlington, IA	No	"No."
Lincoln, NE	No	"No, I'm sorry, we don't."
Memphis, TN	No	"No, Ma'am, we sure don't." Recommends a Christian hospital.
Tucson, AZ	No	"Well, it would be at a different agency altogether because we don't provide those services whatsoever."

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### RESULTS: FALSE ADVERTISING & FRAUD // MAMMOSHAM INVESTIGATION (PART 2, 2012)

FACILITY LOCATION	OFFER MAMMOGRAMS?	OTHER
Des Moines, IA	No	"We've been getting a lot of calls about that."
Hampton, VA	No	"I have no idea why he [President Obama] would say that."
St. Cloud, MN	No	"Planned Parenthood doesn't offer mammograms."
Tulsa, OK	No	"We're not equipped to do that."
Chapel Hill, NC	No	"We would have to refer you out."
Arlington, TX	No	"We don't perform any mammograms here."
Milwaukee, WI	No	"This location only does abortion services."
Kailua Kona, HI	No	Claims to offer mammograms; much later, reveals that PP will refer to Hoye Radiologic Center.



#### **RESULTS: SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTION**

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## CLINIC'S RECOMMENDATION FOR PURSUING SEX-SELECTION

## **OTHER**

Planned Parenthood

Austin, TX

Ultrasound referral & plan for late-term

abortion

Pregnancy Medicaid fraud

Planned Parenthood

New York, NY

Chorionic Villi Sampling referral

Planned Parenthood

Chapel Hill, NC

Chorionic Villi Sampling referral

"We do not turn away patients who are

seeking our services."

Planned Parenthood

Honolulu, HI

Suggests how to space pregnancies and abortions so woman can try

multiple times

State QUEST insurance will

pay for it.

Planned Parenthood

Maui, HI

Ultrasound referral



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