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Planned Parenthood Arizona promotes and protects every person's freedom and right to enjoy sexual health and well-being, to make reproductive choices, and build healthy, strong families.

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Improving Efficiencies to Serve More Arizonans



Planned Parenthood Arizona is working with a growing number of Planned Parenthood affiliates across the country to implement standardized electronic medical records. The goals of the project are improved quality of care, efficiency, and better service to our patients. The first major milestone in this transition is being achieved right now as we move to the new NextGen Enterprise Practice

Management system. NextGen will ensure that our patients and the staff who serve them will be supported by a more reliable, faster and easier computer network.

In the summer of 2010, Planned Parenthood Arizona will roll out Electronic Medical Records to all 19 health centers across the state. "Going Digital" has been important to Planned Parenthood for many years, as demonstrated by the explosive growth of our Planned Parenthood Online website and the nearly 700 monthly online appointment requests our health centers receive through the site. Moving to NextGen and electronic medical records will increase the range and efficiency of services we're able to offer.

Going electronic will transform the way our health centers operate. Full medical information on a patient will be available at any site she or he visits. Patients ultimately will have secure access to medical information on lab test results. Smart templates will guide clinicians in the health centers and quality audits can be done for all patients on demand. And because of our partnership with other Planned Parenthood affiliates, we'll be working together on best practice implementation which will lead to better patient and data management, quality, and efficiency benchmarks.

Planned Parenthood Arizona provides most health care services on a sliding scale or discounted basis and strives to never turn a patient away. We work to decrease disparities and improve outcomes by providing preventive health to vulnerable populations. Your support makes this possible.



Bigger, Better, Closer

The University of Arizona, College of Medicine OB/GYN department **has presented Planned Parenthood Arizona its 2009 Preceptor Recognition Award.**

"This award is in appreciation of the excellent teaching and guidance you have provided to our residents while they have rotated with your practice."

Congratulations and many thanks to Dr. Pam Lotke and the Tucson Sanger Health Center staff for offering OB/GYN residents and students an incredible hands-on learning experience they would otherwise be unable to obtain.

My Planned Parenthood



Miles Green became the Chairman of the Planned Parenthood Arizona Board of Directors on October 1, 2009. He has been associated with Planned Parenthood since the early '90s and has served on the Board of Directors in Arizona since 2003. When not

volunteering with Planned Parenthood Arizona, Miles is a teacher and school psychologist. From Miles' words,

"It is clear that families thrive when parents have the knowledge and the tools to shape the size and spacing of those families. Access to family planning is a basic human right. Planned Parenthood has always been on the cutting edge of providing these essential services."

Education

New school-based Sexuality Education Program adopted

The Education Department is pleased to announce that after a good deal of thoughtful consideration, enlightened, informed conversation and input from our community partners, we have chosen FLASH (Family Life and Sexual Health) Curriculum as our new school-



Our local Vox (Voices for Planned Parenthood) chapter at the University of Arizona in Tucson engaged supporters and volunteers by doing a visibility event around sex education during the National Week of Action.

Public Policy

Annual Roe v Wade Events

Next year Planned Parenthood Arizona will celebrate 75 years of ensuring access to reproductive health care, sexuality education and advocacy to protect a woman's right to choose. **Please join us at one or more of our Roe v. Wade and 75th Anniversary celebrations in Arizona during the month of February.**

Come celebrate in Phoenix at the *Roe v. Wade* Annual Luncheon on Friday, February 5, 2010. Or, you can join us in Flagstaff at the *Roe v. Wade* Annual Reception on Tuesday,

in your community

In Your Community



Planned Parenthood Arizona brings us into neighborhoods where we can make the biggest difference. The need is growing and together we are responding – **in your community.**

From the South



On Saturday October 10, Planned Parenthood Arizona was out and proud at **Tucson's Annual Pride in the Desert event.** The Planned Parenthood booth was staffed by the busy and energetic volunteers of the Tucson Community Action Team and the University of Arizona's VOX: Voices for Planned Parenthood activism chapter. Volunteers distributed 300 condoms, obtained 168 petition signatures in support of comprehensive sex education, and talked with pro-choice elected officials in attendance.

Our Volunteers, Our Future

based program offering. We believe this curriculum best represents our goal to bring comprehensive sexuality education to the youth and families we serve, while at the same time supports our efforts to magnify our impact through the development of a *training of facilitators model*. Using this model will enable us to reach the teachers and school personnel who are in daily contact with students providing the tools they need to successfully implement the curriculum.

Planned Parenthood will modify the curriculum to 10 to 12 lessons, addressing topics related to sexual health, sexual behavior, relationships and personal skills. *FLASH* is written in sex-positive language, is consistent with the PPAZ values and mission, and has a well-developed parent component.

We look forward to partnering with all of you in making this vital component of our mission a reality.

February 9, 2010. You can also help us commemorate in Tucson at the *Roe v. Wade* Annual Luncheon on Friday, February 19, 2010.

We will share our exciting plans to elect pro-choice leaders in 2010 who will stand up for women and choice. It is up to you to help turn the tide in the Arizona Legislature. Please reserve your table or tickets today by visiting www.advocatesaz.org.



A quiet Roe v Wade Tucson ballroom before the passionate guests arrived.

This is a paid advertisement.

Interns are a vital part of the team throughout Planned Parenthood Arizona. They gain marketable skills and work experience in a progressive atmosphere, under the mentorship of seasoned staff members.



Grassroots Organizing intern in Tucson phone banking to engage activists

During this fall semester, interns have provided support across multiple channels of the organization. In the Communications and Marketing Department interns have provided support through media projects and the launching of Planned Parenthood

Arizona's (PPAZ) social media efforts as well as, producing news articles and a letter to the editor. In Tucson, our Grassroots Organizing intern is leading phone banks and outreach activities across campuses while engaging Community Action Teams. The Legal Research intern is researching legislation from around the country to help us prepare for the next legislative session. Interns in Tucson and in Phoenix are facilitating and supervising the activities of the Teen Advocacy Group (TAG), PPAZ's youth leadership program.

Thank you for your support, interns!

Up North

Great news for women in Coconino County! Thanks to recent funding from the Flagstaff Community Foundation, The Forest Highlands Foundation and The GeoFund, the Planned Parenthood Flagstaff Health Center will be able to **offer no- or low-cost testing, biopsy and treatment for up to 16 women who have an abnormal pap smear (cervical cancer screening)**, offering a quicker turn around time between diagnostic services and treatment. Funding will also allow for the purchase of cryotherapy equipment.

In the Middle

Supported by a grant from the Phoenix Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure, **Planned Parenthood's South Phoenix Health Center was grateful to hold a free mammography clinic** on October 22, 2009. Forty-four women over the age of 40 who are uninsured or underinsured; had not had a recent mammogram; and do not qualify for AHCCCS funding received a no-cost mammogram and information.

Your Voice
Your Choice
Our Future

Donate Now

Giving actually puts money back in your pocket! Your generous donation to Planned Parenthood can be applied to the Arizona Working Poor Tax Credit.

What this means to you is in addition to a federal tax deduction, if you itemize your deductions and you contribute to Planned Parenthood in Arizona, you are eligible for a dollar-for-dollar state tax credit of up to \$200 for an individual filer and up to \$400 for a married couple filing jointly. Please consider investing in PPAZ this year.

Tradition of Giving

A workplace giving campaign is an employer-sponsored benefit that allows employees to donate a designated amount per-paycheck to charities and causes they care about. Some employers volunteer to match a certain percentage of each employee donation, raising even more vital funds for deserving charities.

PPAZ Workplace Giving Codes:

Arizona & Maricopa County Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) – 99047

Maricopa County Employees Charitable Campaign (MCECC) – 7

State Employees Charitable Campaign (SECC) – 7

United Way (Central and Northern AZ) – Please designate
Planned Parenthood and indicate agency number 7

United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona – 224443

Pima County (ECAP) – 9849

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