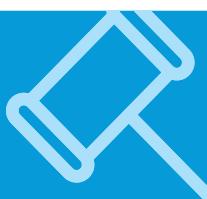


# Crisis Pregnancy Centers

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## **ANTI-CHOICE   ANTI-ABORTION FAITH-BASED   FAKE CLINICS**

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### **NO OVERSIGHT**

Financial oversight of taxpayer-funded pregnancy resource centers is severely lacking. In some states no one has any idea where the money given to these centers is going or how it being spent.



### **NO HONESTY**

CPCs deliberately lie about the medical effects of abortions and about how far women are into their pregnancy so they think they have more time to make a choice about abortion than they actually do.



### **NO CHOICES**

They advise women who have been sexually assaulted not to use emergency contraception. Beyond this, they won't suggest ANY women use contraception for health issues or to prevent pregnancy.



### **NO PRIVACY**

CPCs collect the same detailed personal medical information as a clinic but are not required to keep it private, like a doctor's office is. They reserve the right to reveal or sell personal info for "morally compelling" reasons.



### **NO SEPARATION**

These are faith-based organizations that oppose abortion. They have religious missions and say they "express the love of Jesus Christ." Funding them with taxpayer money is a clear violation of separation of church and state.

## Crisis Pregnancy Centers (or Pregnancy Counseling Centers)

mislead and coerce people facing unintended pregnancies who believe that they are visiting a neutral and objective medical facility.

Know the facts:

- There are around **4,000** of these operations across the United States.
- They position themselves as small, local, and volunteer-run, but **more than 70%** are affiliated with large, well-resourced networks providing funding and legal muscle.
- A full **80%** of their websites have false or misleading information.
- Nationally, an estimated **\$60 million** in federal abstinence and marriage-promotion funds have been directed to CPCs.
- One in Pennsylvania faced no repercussions after losing track of **one million** taxpayer dollars.
- **87%** claim abortion leads to breast cancer and future infertility even though medical studies backed by the Mayo Clinic and American Cancer Society have repeatedly found that no such links exist.
- Other **scare tactics** include citing the non-existent mental illness “post-abortion syndrome” and lying about risks of substance abuse or self-harm.
- Staff are **rarely medically trained**, and in one report, a CPC staff member performing a sonogram identified a woman’s IUD as a fetus.
- Their tactics **target low-income people** or others without regular access to health care through strategic advertising online and in poor communities -- even “geofencing” digital ads to reach people sitting in legitimate clinics.
- Local governments have had to intervene to block their **false and malicious advertising** methods.
- Their goal is not to educate and inform, but to **stall, deceive, evade, lecture, and manipulate** -- everything but share honest information and care.

## What CPCs operate in your area?



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