



Fact Sheet: Abortion Funding in Health Care Reform & Defunding Planned Parenthood

BACKGROUND: Congress is working to pass a health care bill that would repeal major aspects of Obamacare and replace them with new Republican health care reforms. From a pro-life perspective, this bill does two very important things:

1. Prohibits any use of taxpayer funding to pay for elective abortions or plans that cover elective abortion.
2. Defunds Planned Parenthood of nearly \$400 million and would re-direct their funding to Community Health Centers.

Here are some key facts about these important pro-life elements.

ABORTION FUNDING FACTS

- Stopping funding for abortion SAVES LIVES. The Charlotte Lozier Institute, SBA List's education & research arm, has found that the abortion funding ban called the Hyde amendment has [saved more than 2 million lives](#) since 1976.
- The Government Accountability Office has found that over 1,000 plans on the Obamacare exchanges cover abortion. These plans are being subsidized with our tax dollars. Tax credits available under the bill being considered now by Congress could not be used to pay for plans that cover abortion.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD FACTS

- Planned Parenthood performs over 300,000 abortions per year.
- Taxpayer dollars account for 43% of Planned Parenthood's total revenue.
- Undercover videos show that Planned Parenthood has been engaged in unethical and possibly illegal medical and financial practices connected to trafficking of unborn children's organs.
- In the bill taxpayer money Planned Parenthood is getting now would go to community health centers, which provide a wider variety of services, but generally do not do abortions. Community Health Centers outnumber Planned Parenthood centers by more than 20 to one.