Crisis Pregnancy Centers

How to Recognize and Avoid Anti-Abortion Centers

What are Crisis Pregnancy Centers (CPCs)?

- CPCs appear to be clinics for pregnant people that advertise full-spectrum reproductive services. However, CPCs do NOT provide abortion counseling, procedures, or pills.
- The goal of many CPCs is to persuade pregnant people away from abortion.
- Many CPCs are deliberately located near abortion clinics. Their advertisements and websites aim to confuse people who may be considering abortion.

Look out for these red flags when searching for abortion services online:

"Pregnancy Decision Consultation"

CPCs tend to advertise free pregnancy tests – and if a patient tests positive for pregnancy, the CPC staff aim to convince patients to stay pregnant and give birth.



"Free Limited Ultrasound"

Some sites provide free ultrasounds, which are often conducted by untrained staff, and are used primarily not to inform patients but to manipulate them against considering abortion.

"Post Abortion Counseling"

CPCs assume that having an abortion is a negative experience and those who have had one need counseling. In reality, most people feel relief after an abortion.

"Abortion Pill Reversal"

CPCs advertise abortion "reversal" services.

This protocol is NOT supported by science and can be harmful to health.





Spot The Red Flags



Abortion Pill Reversal

Have you taken the first dose of the abortion pill, Mifepristone (Mifeprex or RU-486)? Do you regret your decision and wish you could reverse the effects of the abortion pill?

We are waiting to help you! There is an effective process for reversing the abortion pill, called ABORTION PILL REVERSAL, so call today! Call us right now, we know that an unplanned pregnancy can be scary and many women who have taken the abortion pill experience regret. If this describes your situation, you are not alone, and there is help for you. IT MAY NOT BE 1001 ATE IF YOU CALL QUICKLY.

Abortion Pill Reversal is a simple treatment available to reverse the effects of the abortion pill. The Abortion Pill Reversal procedure is designed to reverse the effects of the first abortion pill medication (mifepristone). Progesterone has been safely used to support pregnancies for almost sixty years.

Progesterone, the medication used in the Abortion Pill Reversal process, has no known health risks or side effects for the mother or the

Clinics that advertise "Abortion Pill Reversal" are most likely CPCs. This procedure is NOT supported by science. Language such as "regret" and "grief" surrounding abortion may also be a red flag.

ifepristone, also known as RU-486. However, the abortion pill. It may not be too late.





Resources

Everyone deserves access to health care that is free of stigma, harassment, and shame. Patients are entitled to factual education and client-centered care that covers the full spectrum of pregnancy options.

For accurate abortion information and to find a legitimate reproductive health care clinic, visit:

LA County Abortion Safe Haven Resource Guide:
http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/owh/Abortion/MultilingualResources.htm

Report a CPC

The state of California is concerned about the limited and potentially misleading nature of the services provided by crisis pregnancy centers. Attorney General Bonta urges Californians seeking reproductive health services to do research before going to a clinic to learn about their abortion options.

If you visited a CPC and believe you have been the victim or target of deceptive, misleading, unfair, or unlawful conduct, please immediately file a complaint at: https://oag.ca.gov/crisis-pregnancy-center-complaint.

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