THE PRENATAL CARE DECEPTION: PLANNED PARENTHOOD DOESN'T HELP WOMEN WHO WANT TO KEEP THEIR BABIES

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Planned Parenthood claims prenatal care is an integral part of its business, with CEO Cecile Richards asserting, "These are the kinds of services that folks depend on Planned Parenthood for." However, Live Action investigators discovered prenatal care is virtually non-existent at Planned Parenthood.

For a woman who chooses to keep her baby, prenatal care includes regular doctor visits to monitor her health and the baby's development, ultrasounds, testing, etc.

Live Action investigators, posing as pregnant women intent on keeping their babies, contacted 41 Planned Parenthood affiliates across the United States seeking prenatal care. ⁴ They reached out to 97 facilities in all. These investigators found that only five Planned Parenthood facilities offered any sort of prenatal care. The other 92 centers turned away these pregnant women, giving responses like:

"Planned Parenthood offers abortions, so they don't offer prenatal care."

- Tempe, AZ, Planned Parenthood

"We don't offer prenatal care at Planned Parenthood...we specialize in abortions."

- Farmington, NM, Planned Parenthood

"No, see, we don't see pregnant women as a way of giving prenatal care, we see pregnant women, um, you know, if they are considering other options."

- Santa Fe, NM, Planned Parenthood

"No, we don't do prenatal services. I mean, it's called Planned Parenthood, I know it's kind of deceiving."

- Merrillville, IN, Planned Parenthood

As part of its public relations strategy to downplay the abortions it commits, Planned Parenthood portrays itself as giving women "choices" by saying it offers services other than abortion, such as prenatal care. But even Planned Parenthood's own self-reported numbers make it abundantly clear where its priorities lie. In its 2014-2015 Annual Report, Planned Parenthood reported committing 323,999 abortions, compared to administering just 17,419 prenatal services.⁵

^{4.} Live Action contacted all 41 Planned Parenthood affiliates where undercover recording is permitted by state law.

^{5.} https://www.plannedparenthood.org/files/2114/5089/0863/2014-2015_PPFA_Annual_Report_.pdf