

Get the Facts

Planned Parenthood Deaths and Injuries in the U.S.

DES MOINES—Planned Parenthood's slick, new logo, pictured here has the slogan "Care. No matter what."

Planned Parenthood is not a health care organization. It's a chop shop.



Here are just a few documented examples of Planned Parenthood's lack of care:

**Ayanna Byer, 40
Colorado Springs, CO
Injured in botched abortion 10/2012**

Had to have high-risk emergency surgery at a local emergency room to remove body parts left behind by Planned Parenthood that had caused an infection. Byer also alleged that Planned Parenthood's abortionist forced the abortion on her after she said she did not want the abortion. She said the anesthesia she was given was not taking effect and she saw it as a sign she shouldn't go through with the abortion. The Planned Parenthood abortionist said it was too late to stop, turned on the vacuum machine and proceeded with the abortion.

**Tonya Reaves, 24
Chicago, IL
Died 7/20/12**

Hemorrhaged to death following an elective abortion at 16 weeks performed at Planned Parenthood on Michigan Avenue in Chicago.

**Melissa Cullen, (age n/a)
Boston, MA**

Injured in botched abortion 8/12
Three hours after her release from Planned Parenthood in Boston, she blacked out from extreme loss of blood and was taken to a local emergency room where she was told by doctors "the abortion had been done wrong."

**Anathea Griego, 40
Albuquerque, NM
Injured botched tubal ligation
8/29/11**

Had to have emergency surgery three days after her bowel was perforated in a botched tubal ligation at Planned Parenthood in Albuquerque. Seven months later, she became pregnant.

**Roberta Clark, (age n/a)
Birmingham, AL
Injured in botched abortion 8/20/10**

Was told she was 8 weeks, four days pregnant at the Planned Parenthood in Birmingham. A suction abortion was performed at the same location, but no fetal tissue was identified after the abortion and Clark was not informed. 25 days later, she had emergency surgery on her ruptured fallopian tube and to remove the 13 week baby growing there. Her injuries left her infertile.

**Shemika, (age n/a)
Birmingham, AL
Injured in botched abortion 6/21/10**

After a failed surgical abortion at Planned Parenthood in Birmingham, Shemika was given a medication abortion (abortion pills). When she returned to the clinic and was refused help, pro-life sidewalk counselors outside the clinic took her to a local emergency room, where doctors discovered a dead baby inside her.

**Shantese Butler, 13,
Washington, D.C.
Injured in botched abortion 9/7/08**

Taken by her mother to Planned Parenthood in Washington to abort a child conceived in rape. Suffered severe hemorrhaging, a perforated uterus, torn small bowel and injuries to her vagina and cervix. In addition, parts of the baby were left inside her. The injuries left her infertile.



Couldn't Happen in Iowa?

The abortionist who perforated a Nebraska woman's uterus and caused her to lose almost 80% of her blood was **Planned Parenthood's Medical Director in Iowa at the time.**

**"Jane Roe," 40
Lincoln, NE
Injured in botched abortion
8/17/07**

Lost almost 80% of her blood and had to have an emergency hysterectomy at a local hospital after her uterus was perforated during an abortion at a Planned Parenthood clinic in Lincoln, Nebraska. The same abortionist operated at Planned Parenthood in Iowa and was Planned Parenthood's medical director in Iowa at the time.

**Edrica Goode, 21
Riverside, CA
Died 2/14/07**
Died of toxic shock two weeks after

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a late-term abortion begun by a nurse practitioner at Planned Parenthood in Riverside, CA.

**Danielle Cramer, 15,
West Hartford, CT**

Rape not reported to police 5/1/07
Danielle, a 15 year-old runaway, had been missing from her home in Bloomfield for almost a year and was pregnant by a 41 year-old man. She had an abortion at Planned Parenthood's West Hartford location and Planned Parenthood personnel never reported the crime to police.

**Statutory Rape Victim, 13
Cincinnati, OH**

**Rape not reported to police;
Ignored parental consent law
3/30/04**

A 21 year-old soccer coach took a 13 year-old girl he impregnated to Planned Parenthood in Cincinnati for an abortion, without her parents' knowledge. The parents of the girl sued Planned Parenthood for ignoring Ohio's parental consent law requiring one parent to give permission before performing an abortion on a minor child and for not reporting the statutory rape to authorities.

**Incest Victim, 16
Cincinnati, OH**

Incest not reported to police 11/04
Forced by her father to have an abortion at a Planned Parenthood in Cincinnati, the teen told Planned Parenthood employees she was pregnant with her father's child and he had been raping her since 2000. In the suit, filed May 9, 2007, the girl said Planned Parenthood did not report the crime to authorities and as a result, she was abused for an additional year and a half.

**Hoa Thuy (Vivian) Tran, 22,
Orange County, CA
Died 12/29/03**

Tran became ill in a Las Vegas hotel after a RU-486/ medication abortion by Planned Parenthood in Costa Mesa, CA. She died in a local emergency room.

**Holly Patterson, 18
San Francisco, CA
Died 9/17/03**

Died in the emergency room from a Clostridium sordellii infection after a RU-486/ medication abortion at Planned Parenthood in San Francisco.

**Diana Lopez, 25
Los Angeles, CA
Died 2/28/02**

Hemorrhaged to death following an elective abortion at 18 weeks performed at Planned Parenthood in Los Angeles.

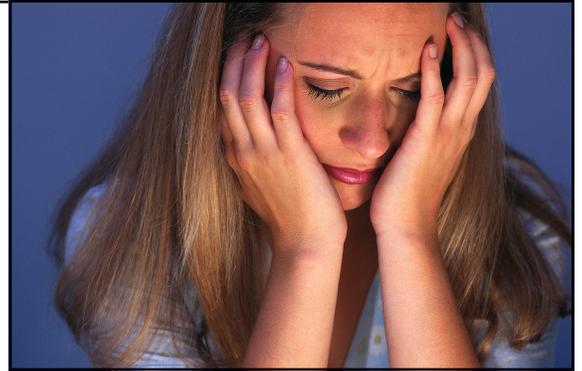
**Linda McCown, 27
Overland Park, KS
Left in a coma 11/2/00**

Linda McCown of Sedalia, Missouri was 27 when she went to Planned Parenthood in Overland Park, Kansas for tubal ligation surgery. During the surgery, an oxygen tube that was supposed to be placed in her lung, was placed in her stomach instead. Lack of oxygen caused her to go into a coma.

A History of Hurting Women

Planned Parenthood has a history of hurting women. From botched abortions that have cost women their lives to their cover-up of statutory rapists, Planned Parenthood leaves a path of destruction in every community they touch.

A better slogan for Planned Parenthood would be: ***Abortion. No Matter What.***



She knew the risks

After Planned Parenthood's botched abortion of a Nebraska woman, who lost almost 80% of her blood from a perforated uterus and had to have an emergency hysterectomy, Planned Parenthood lawyered up.

"The woman was well aware of the risks associated with the procedure before it was performed on her at the Lincoln clinic this summer."

--Planned Parenthood attorney James Snowden, referring to the botched abortion by Planned Parenthood's abortionist, Dr. Meryl Severson, who was also doing abortions for Planned Parenthood in Iowa at the time.
(Source: Lincoln Journal Star, 11/28/07)

Do you know the risks?

In the state of Iowa, Planned Parenthood does not have to meet the same medical, safety or sanitation standards as other outpatient surgical clinics. If you are injured, well, Planned Parenthood's attorneys will say, "*She knew the risks.*"

Many women have a change of heart and cancel their abortion appointment. If you or someone you know is considering abortion, there are alternatives and resources. **Please contact Iowa Right to Life using the info. listed below.**