



Christian Voices for Life

Weekly Pro-Life

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How Can Informed Consent be Denied?



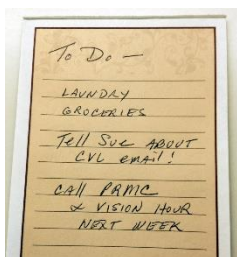
Education: Informed consent is a basic right of medical practice. Before consenting to a procedure, the patient must be informed about what a procedure entails, what the risks are, and alternative treatments available. Several states, including Texas, have passed informed consent laws to require that women seeking abortion be properly informed about fetal development, the physical and mental health risks of abortion, and the responsibility of the father to provide child support, as well as about adoption and a state's Safe Haven law.

Only twenty-eight states have some form of informed consent laws to protect women seeking abortion. A national *Women's Right to Know Act* has now been introduced in the U. S. Senate, to provide this protection at the national level. Abortion advocates have long been saying that they want to maintain a woman's right to choose. But clearly that choice should be an informed choice! There is a wealth of evidence that abortion can put women at greater risk for future pregnancy complications, breast cancer, drug or alcohol abuse, and suicide. Such a potentially life-altering decision needs to be considered carefully and with all the pertinent information available. But of course it is in the interest of the abortion industry to sell women abortions by lying to them about fetal development, denying physical and psychological risks of abortion, and not allowing them to see the ultrasound image of the child. If our legislative representative are truly interested in the best interests of women, surely they cannot deny them the right to informed consent. Even if we can't all agree that women do not have the right to an abortion, can't we all agree that every woman deserves to have all the facts before she makes her choice?

1. <https://www.lifenews.com/2020/03/04/new-bill-would-make-it-clear-abortion-kills-babies-women-deserve-the-truth/>



Prayer: Dear Father God, please open the hearts and minds of all the Congressional representatives to the need to ensure informed consent for abortion. Please help them to see the need, not to protect the abortion industry from regulation, but to protect women from an industry who deceives women in order to make a sale. Help every member of Congress hear from their constituents that a vote for informed consent is a vote for women. Help them all to understand that a vote against informed consent is a vote for the abortion industry to continue to sell women abortions that they don't want, and would not choose if they were truly informed.



Action: Tell your friends about this legislation. Even if they are pro-choice, encourage them to contact their representatives and encourage them to support this effort to protect women's right to have all the information they need to make the best choice for themselves. Help your friends to understand that the need for this legislation is the fact that the abortion industry is more interested in selling abortions than in allowing women to truly choose what is best for them with all the information they need to make a good decision. Videos showing abortion workers lying to women

can be found at <https://www.liveaction.org/what-we-do/investigations/medical-misinformation/>