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This week's Topic: Planned Parenthood and Fetal Body Parts

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**Education:** Planned Parenthood is responsible for about 30% of the abortions in the U. S.; the number of abortions they do each year is rising, while total abortions are declining. A recent video (1) released by the Center for Medical Justice shows Planned Parenthood's senior medical services director discussing fetal body parts with two undercover investigators posing as buyers from a human biologics company. She makes it clear that knowing that lungs or livers or hearts need to be preserved for sale, doctors doing abortions can alter their procedure to preserve those parts. She explains that it is difficult to get an intact "calvarium" or head, unless you turn the baby to a breech presentation. As for the law against partial birth abortion, she said "The Federal [Partial Birth] Abortion Ban is a law, and laws are up to interpretation. So if I say on day one, I do not intend to do this, what ultimately happens doesn't matter." She explains that Planned Parenthood does not want to deal with biologics companies on a national level because it is too sensitive an issue. But Cecile Richards, President and CEO of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, was included in the video, seeming to be supportive of the idea of providing fetal body parts.

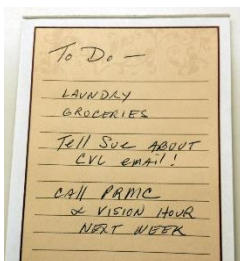
Donating organs to science may make some women feel that the abortion is doing some good and is therefore easier to justify. Additional profit from fetal tissue gives the abortion facility even more motivation to sell abortions, and everyone profiting by selling or using organs for research are motivated to allow legal abortion to continue in order to ensure their supply. Those involved may claim they are not actually selling the body parts, but simply charging for costs of procurement, processing, and delivery.

1. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijxwVuozMnU&inf\\_contact\\_key=7ffacb8428877c25e2838117d9a0cc000f201c58955edfe2f8aa7521b47e613d](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijxwVuozMnU&inf_contact_key=7ffacb8428877c25e2838117d9a0cc000f201c58955edfe2f8aa7521b47e613d)



**Prayer:** Dear Father God, please touch the hearts of medical researchers who want to use fetal tissue in their research, and all involved in the marketing of fetal body parts. Help them to understand that the desire to do good does not justify doing evil – that preborn human beings are children of God, not mere sources of tissue to be used as a commodity. Help women tempted by abortion to know that no amount of knowledge or benefit from using fetal tissue justifies the killing of their child.

We pray for the conversion of all who are involved in abortion and in the buying and selling of fetal body parts.



**Action:** Join the calls by the Center for Medical Justice, Live Action, Students for Life, and Priests for Life to stop government funding of Planned Parenthood. Sign the petition to defund, sponsored by Live Action, at [www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.com](http://www.PlannedParenthoodExposed.com). Another petition has just been published by LifeNews.com to call for investigation of Planned Parenthood for the sale of fetal body parts:

<http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/congress-must-investigate-planned-parenthood/sign.html>