



Christian Voices for Life

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## SCOTUS did NOT approve the Abortion Pill!

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**Education:** The Supreme Court recently publicized their decision on Food and Drug Administration v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine. Donald Trump stated, in the first presidential debate, “The Supreme Court just approved the abortion pill and I agree with the decision to have done that,” he said. “And I will not block it.” (1) However, the Supreme Court decision did not “approve” the abortion pill.

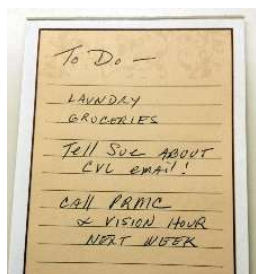
They rather stated that the plaintiff had no standing to pursue the lawsuit. While this decision left current regulations in place, “they did not rule on whether the FDA acted properly in expanding access to mifepristone”. (2) Therefore, a plaintiff who has standing would still be free to challenge the action of the FDA, and only then would the Supreme Court make a ruling on the merits of the case.

Another public statement which surprised many people, was that abortions in the U.S. have increased overall after the Dobbs decision to reverse Roe v. Wade. (3) Abortions have of course greatly decreased in the states which banned abortions. The fact that many women are traveling to other states, and abortion pills can be ordered over the internet and shipped into states where abortion is banned, balance a part of the decrease in pro-life states. Another factor, much less known by the public, is that millions of dollars of abortion funding exist to pay not only for abortion procedures, but in some cases for travel expenses as well, for women in need. Donations to those funds increased after Dobbs, but are now drying up. (4)

1. [Trump Says He Won't Block Access to Abortion Pill \(wsj.com\)](https://www.wsj.com/news/politics/elections/trump-says-he-wont-block-access-to-abortion-pill)
2. [Supreme Court preserves access to abortion pill - SCOTUSblog](https://www.scotusblog.com/2024/06/supreme-court-preserves-access-to-abortion-pill/)
3. [Abortions increased in the US overall in the year post-Dobbs, but there are stark inequalities state-to-state | CNN](https://www.cnn.com/2024/06/27/health/abortion-increased-us-dobbs/index.html)
4. [Abortion Funds In 'A State Of Emergency' 2 Years After Dobbs | HuffPost Latest News](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/abortion-funds-in-a-state-of-emergency-2-years-after-dobbs)



**Prayer:** Dear Lord, help the truth to be known, not only about the great harm caused by abortion and the help that is available for women, but also about the truth of the legal status of abortion and abortion pills. Please help the number of abortions decrease in our country, not only because of legislative victories, but also from greater effectiveness of pregnancy centers and other helping agencies to reach and to help the women who need their services. Please move more and more American citizens to realize the injustice and harmful nature of abortion, and enable our country to be one that supports both the right to life and provides aid for women in difficult situations.



**Action:** Be ready to explain to your friends that the increase in abortions after Dobbs is due in part to increase funding of abortions and travel expenses in response to the Dobbs decision. Express your opinion to your legislative representatives that you are in favor of protecting the preborn at every stage of pregnancy, both on the state level and eventually on the national level. In states where abortion is legal, work to support conscience protection for health professionals, as well as restrictions on abortion.