

Is Planned Parenthood Covering Up Child Sex Abuse?

Planned Parenthood workers are “mandated reporters” for suspected cases of child sex abuse. They are required by law in all fifty states to report possible cases. But are they?

Several state attorneys general say no.

Planned Parenthood is currently being investigated by state and local authorities in Kansas, Indiana, and Ohio for not reporting cases of statutory rape and child sex abuse.

Planned Parenthood is refusing to turn over records, citing patient privacy.

But, as Whitney Watson, spokesman for Kansas Attorney General Phill Kline commented, “This is not a privacy issue. **Any time an [underage] girl has an abortion, that child has been raped and we need to find out what happened.**”¹

Any time an underage girl walks into a contraceptive or abortion clinic, health-care workers should be concerned. Almost 70% of teen pregnancies are fathered by adult men.² That means that a lot of potential cases of statutory rape and child abuse should be reported by Planned Parenthood. But, as Indiana’s attorney general emphasizes, they are not.

In 2003, a caller presenting herself as a 13-year-old girl impregnated by her 22-year-old boyfriend called abortion clinics and all Planned Parenthood clinics. **Over 90% of clinics agreed to conceal the illegal relationship.** Many went so far as to coach the girl in obtaining a judicial bypass to escape state parental-involvement laws.³

In West Virginia, Planned Parenthood has vigorously lobbied against a parental-notice law that would have prevented abortionists from giving secret abortions to teens.

Secret abortions to cover up child abuse? Is this what Planned Parenthood stands for?

Women and girls deserve better than Planned Parenthood.

Planned Parenthood Hurts Girls, www.pphurtsgirls.org, 304-296-5741

Cincinnati’s Tragedy

On March 30, 2004, a 21-year-old man brought a 14-year-old girl into a Planned Parenthood abortion clinic in Cincinnati. The clinic gave her an abortion and sent her away with a shot of the hormonal contraceptive Depo-Provera.

The problem? The 21-year-old “stepbrother” was actually her soccer coach and molester.

The man is now serving time in prison. But what about the Planned Parenthood clinic? How many of these cases has the clinic reported to authorities as possible cases of child abuse?

Zero. None. Not a single referral to local authorities from Planned Parenthood.⁴

1. Peter Bronson, “Abortion Clinics Shouldn’t Help Shield Those Who Rape Young Girls,” *Cincinnati Enquirer*, 4/14/05, www.cincinnati.com 2. National Center for Health Statistics, Advance Report of Final Natality Statistics, 1991. Monthly Vital Statistics Report, vol. 42, no. 3, Supplement 9, Sept. 1993 3. www.ldi.org 4. Bronson, “Abortion Clinics”