

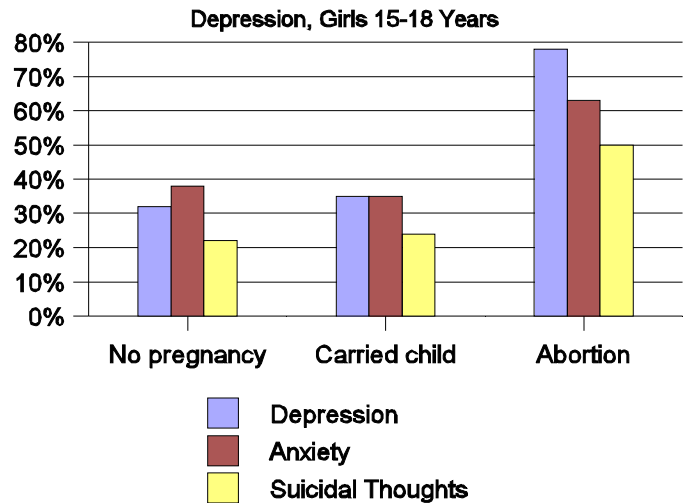
Planned Parenthood's Sex Ed: Trustworthy?

Planned Parenthood claims to give kids "medically accurate sexuality information." But can we trust it?

Planned Parenthood tells teens that "serious, long-term emotional problems after abortion are rare."¹ But that's not true.

Recent studies have confirmed that adolescents are likely to face serious psychological problems after abortion.²

Planned Parenthood tells kids that sexual activity such as "outercourse" "is nearly 100% effective against ... sexually transmitted diseases."³ But that's not true.



Human papillomavirus (HPV), which causes nearly all cervical cancers, and genital herpes are among the infections that can be spread by skin-to-skin contact with genital areas not covered by condoms—in the kind of "outercourse" that Planned Parenthood recommends!⁴

Planned Parenthood tells kids that condoms will keep them disease-free. But that's not true.

Condoms provide no risk reduction at all for some dangerous infections, such as HPV and herpes. In any case, condoms have a built-in failure rate ("method-failure"). It is also unrealistic, statistically speaking, to assume condoms will be used consistently and correctly by adolescents ("user-failure"). 11% of women using condoms get pregnant every year.⁵ For HIV, risk reduction is only 80%, even if condoms are used 100% of the time.⁶

Sexually active girls are around three times more likely to be depressed and to commit suicide than abstainers.⁸

And Planned Parenthood neglects to tell our kids that 67% of teens who have had sex regret it and wish they had waited.⁷

Finally, **Planned Parenthood supports secret abortions for teens, without their parents' knowledge.⁹**

Kids deserve better than Planned Parenthood.

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