

Peace and Social Concerns Committee
of Albuquerque Monthly Meeting

Minute of Support for Planned Parenthood

Planned Parenthood has recently come under extreme criticism from politicians because of allegations that have now been proven false. The current political move to defund Planned Parenthood would be disastrous. It would make it impossible for millions of Americans to obtain preventive services like cancer screening and family planning. There would be almost no impact on abortion services.

Reproductive rights and health care are lawful human rights that allow individuals to control their fertility and improve their health. Family planning is the most effective way to avoid unplanned pregnancies and therefore the need for abortion.

Albuquerque Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends recognizes the importance of Planned Parenthood clinics to millions of men and women in the country. We support these clinics throughout the U.S. and recognize the staff members for the important services they provide.

In addition to voicing our support of Planned Parenthood, we ask members and attenders to consider taking the following actions:

- Write Letters to the Editor and Op-Eds supporting reproductive health and rights in general and specifically supporting Planned Parenthood.
- Write to your legislators supporting reproductive health and rights in general and specifically supporting Planned Parenthood.
- Volunteer to escort patients or help in other needed ways at a Planned Parenthood clinic.
- Donate financial support to Planned Parenthood.

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