



Lifeline

Pikes Peak Citizens for Life works to protect the innocent, helpless, vulnerable members of our human family - young and old, infirm and healthy, born and preborn.

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Trio of Extreme Abortion Legislation to Watch in Colorado: Die-a-RHEA 2.0

As Colorado pro-life advocates observe the first anniversary of Colorado's barbaric RHEA (aka Reproductive Health Equity Act), pro-abortion politicians are eagerly fast-tracking legislation that imperils women, babies, and those working to protect life.

Pro-life Colorado a coalition of approximately 36 Colorado pro-life groups which have come together to defend life on a united front, provides a concise [summary](#) of the dangers inherent in the three bills dubbed "RHEA 2.0":

[SB23-190](#)

- Eliminates a woman's "choice" to sustain her pregnancy and save her child's life through Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) by *banning doctors from prescribing* the treatment;
- Restricts and censors the good work Pregnancy Resource Centers do for our community.

[SB23-189](#)

- Circumvents Colorado's constitutional prohibition against public funding of abortion;
- Increases access to contraception and abortion referrals to minors under 19 years of age.

[SB23-188](#)

- Violates First Amendment rights of medical professionals and medical centers/hospitals that do not provide abortion-related services or "gender-affirming care;"
- Violates First Amendment rights of employers who do not provide abortion-related services or "gender-affirming care" in their insurance plan;
- Restricts legal action against Colorado from states with pro-life laws.

Pro-Life Colorado invites concerned citizens to lift our voices to defend humanity at the **Rally for Life** on April 4th from 10am-Noon, on the West Side of the Colorado State Capitol 200 E. Colfax Ave., Denver

For more information about how to "stay informed, research, and take action to protect the lives of Colorado residents, born and unborn, and those traveling to Colorado for abortion service," visit www.prolifeco.org.

NRLC Releases 1st Post-Roe Annual Report: State of Abortion in the US

The 10th Annual Report of the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) provides a nationwide glimpse of the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturned *Roe v. Wade*. The report summarizes the first seven months of key legislative developments on the state and federal level, and analyzes abortion data.

The 84 page [report](#) which is available for free on their website, examines the following:

United States Abortion Numbers

Federal Policy & Abortion

(Subsidies for abortion, international funding, protections for unborn children, conscience protection laws, etc.)

The Hyde Amendment

(Recent attacks and background)

State Laws & Abortion

Right to Abortion Interpretation by States

Laws Protecting Unborn Children Post-Dobbs

Pre-Roe Laws That Protect Unborn Children

Laws with Delayed Enforcement

Abortion Protections in Early Pregnancy

Fetal Heartbeat Protection Laws

Protecting Unborn Children from Dismemberment Abortion

Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

Gestational Age Protection Laws

Born-Alive Infant Protection Laws

Anti-Discrimination Protection Laws

A Woman's Right to Know: Abortion Pill Reversal

Telemedicine Abortion Prohibitions

The Equal Rights Amendment

(In-Depth Special Report)

Synopsis of U.S. Supreme Court Cases

Presidential Record on Life (Reagan to Biden)

About National Right to Life

Ref: National Right to Life, "[Annual Report: The State of Abortion in the United States](#)" January 2023

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The President's Corner

The definition of "pro-life" always gets battered and confused during an election season.

The latest Colorado Springs city election has been no exception.

Understandably, political candidates wish to appeal to as many people as possible since, in order to win the election, they need a majority of the voters to select them.

However, in their efforts to win, many candidates intentionally blur the lines in an effort to look good in everyone's eyes.

Many candidates will say they are pro-life but then accept that rape and incest, for example, should be exceptions. **Abortion results in the murder of a child whether or not that child was conceived via the crimes of rape or incest.** Murder is not pro-life but anti-life, whether it is in reference to abortion or to assisted suicide and euthanasia. It is not possible to be pro-life and anti-life at the same time. These are mutually-exclusive conclusions.

So, to be clear, **to be pro-life is simply to be entirely against anything that is anti-life.** End of confusion.

Another technique candidates use to alleviate any negative consequences for either a pro-life or anti-life stance is to avoid questions on these topics entirely. Often this approach takes the form of a statement from the candidates to the effect that the office being pursued has no say in the life issues and so they won't address such issues themselves.

Yet we know the support of human life is not just another issue but a foundational principle upon which all decisions have a basis.

Consequently, if an office holder doesn't respect human life, all the decisions he/she makes will be suspect, no matter if the decisions involve health care, or education, or taxing decisions, or park operations, or even pothole repairs.

So, we are entirely justified in querying candidates about their stances on life issues, no matter what office they are pursuing, and for insisting on selecting only truly pro-life candidates to fill those offices.

Matt

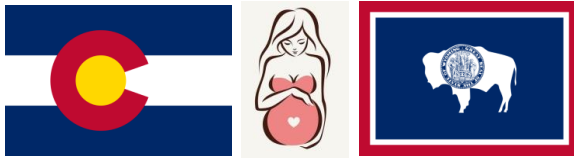
Doctors suing FDA in Abortion Pill Lawsuit

Doctors involved in a federal abortion pill lawsuit are requesting the FDA pull the drug from the market. The [case](#) was [heard](#) in U.S. District Court in Amarillo, TX. The lawsuit was filed on behalf of the Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine (AHM), a nonprofit membership organization representing nearly 30,000 health-care professionals.

Legal counsel Erik Baptist stated, "*The FDA never studied the safety of the drug regimen and disregarded clear evidence that the pills cause life threatening complications... women and girls became victims of the FDA's reckless, agenda-driven approval.*"

Dr. Donna Harrison AHM Chair of the Board reports, "*Our doctors have treated women who faced severe bleeding and life-threatening infections from tissue left in their uterus after a chemical abortion. These medical emergencies can require surgeries, blood transfusions, and hysterectomies. If hysterectomy must be performed, our doctors have had to look these women in the eye and tell them they have no chance of having any future pregnancies.*"

Ref: LiveAction, Carole Novielli, "[Doctors suing FDA say agency is responsible for 'two decades of dangerous medical negligence'](#)" 17 March 2023



What A Difference a Border Makes

PPCFL Blogpost by Matt Niedzielski

Our neighbor to the north, Wyoming, has put in place their [Life is a Human Right Act](#), which protects preborn children by prohibiting elective abortions, [as reported by LifeNews](#).

An existing Wyoming law that banned abortions has been held up in court, so the Wyoming legislature took action by passing this new law, which “[goes further] than the current ban by protecting all unborn babies, including those conceived in rape and incest.”

The new law “clearly states the ban does not include abortions when the mother’s life is at risk, or miscarriage or ectopic pregnancy care.”

So as you drive north on I-25 a preborn child suddenly becomes human with rights as you cross the border into Wyoming.

Simultaneously, the same child traveling south on I-25 suddenly becomes disposable property with no right to life or protections in law when she crosses over the border into Colorado.

What a difference a border can make!

(Note: a WY judge has [temporarily blocked](#) the Act. It may require constitutional amendment.)

Ref: LifeNews.com, Steven Ertelt, [“Wyoming Abortion Ban Becomes Law, Protects Babies Starting at Conception”](#) 18 Mar 2023

It’s not Just Babies Saved on the Sidewalk

Volunteers faithfully pray, hope, and keep vigil on the sidewalk. We know the hours of sacrifice are never in vain – even when the results remain hidden from our eyes. In the rare moments a rescue or healing comes to light, we rejoice in thanksgiving. These are a few of the remarkable moments of the 2023 Vigil as reported by our Colorado Springs **40 Days for Life** director.

“All praise to God! A baby was saved at the sidewalk last Saturday! Sidewalk advocates and prayer warriors were at the sidewalk when a young couple stopped. According to the SWA [Sidewalk Advocate] who spoke with them, they were going into Planned Parenthood... they were very happy to learn about the free services at the Pregnancy Center. They went on into PP after the encounter, but came out 2 minutes later and went to the Pregnancy Center!”

“The Sidewalk advocates also spoke with another young mom and her grandma who came out of PP. They wanted info about the Pregnancy Center. It looks like they will call the Pregnancy Center for help!”

On another day, a volunteer reported this remarkable story: *“An elderly couple stopped to talk with a prayer volunteer at the sidewalk. It was recently their son’s 60th Birthday; however, they never got to meet him. They told the story of aborting their son so many years ago. They burst into tears and, feeling their horrific pain, the sidewalk volunteer teared up as well. The volunteer gave them some very special rosaries he had and asked if they attended church anywhere. They told him, no, they felt unworthy. He encouraged them to go to church, so that God could forgive them and heal them. They prayed together and the volunteer encouraged them to stay in contact if they needed to talk.”*

Please pray this couple will receive healing. Pray for all couples who have aborted children in the past and couples who are considering aborting today.”

Thank you to all the Sidewalk Advocates who witness to life on the sidewalk!



Booths Educate Citizens for LIFE!

PPCFL carries the pro-life message into our state and local community through educational booths.

Upcoming booth events include:

- Walk for Life June 3
- El Paso County Fair July 15–22
- Respect Life Roundup Aug 24
- Colorado State Fair Aug 25–Sep 4

If you would like to help with booths, please contact

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Coming Soon...

April 4: Rally For Life at the State Capitol – marking the sad anniversary of Colorado’s, barbaric RHEA legislation and opposing [“RHEA 2.0.”](#) three abortion bills fast-tracked by the legislature which continue to make Colorado the most extreme abortion state in the country. 10am-Noon, Colorado State Capitol 200 E. Colfax Ave., Denver.

April 22: Born to Move Mountains – fundraiser for the *Life Decisions App*. Life Decisions is a non-profit organization formed to help parents who are struggling with challenging pregnancy and parenting related-issues by connecting families, single parents and individuals with a list of hundreds of free or low-cost resources through the Life Decisions Resource App. (See event information at right.)

May 9 & May 16: Sidewalk Advocacy Training – Some take SWA training because they want to be more involved at the sidewalk. Others take it to be educated in case someone needs help or asks questions. Whatever the reason, please join us! The full program is split into two evenings 5:30 to 8:30pm at the PPCFL office. For more information or to register for the training, contact Julie at 401-578-4471.

June 3: Life Network Walk for Life – a simple, yet powerful way to share your pro-life commitment with friends and family — and help families in Colorado Springs be brave, strong and fearless to choose abundant life! See all the details and register as a sponsored walker at <https://www.walkforlife.com/>

June 24, 1:00 pm: Celebrate Life Colorado – to honor the one-year anniversary of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* (the U.S. Supreme Court ruling overturning *Roe v. Wade*), pro-life advocates from across Colorado are invited to gather and celebrate at Cherry Creek State Park in Denver.