

Webinar about the Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Cordileone which highlights

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Did you know that President Joe Biden just introduced his budget plan to the United States Congress and, for the first time in more than four decades, left out the Hyde Amendment which will force every American to pay for abortions up until the moment of birth? Or that President Biden's White House Spokesperson answered, "We respectfully disagree," when she was asked how Biden can call himself a faithful Catholic while supporting taxpayer-funded research on aborted babies? (Find more examples of Biden's anti-life policies here.)

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HERE ARE ALL THE ANTI-LIFE ACTIONS THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION TOOK IN ITS FIRST 100 DAYS

President Joe Biden has only been in office for a few months, and already, his administration has taken numerous actions that endanger the lives of preborn humans. The snapshot that we've already seen of the administration's abortion agenda is worrisome. If anything, it is a reminder of why abortion continues to be a pressing concern and why the pro-life movement must educate the culture about this crucial issue of life and death.

Nominating/Appointing Abortion Activists

A common theme among Biden's cabinet picks is their complete support for abortion and unprecedented policies that will likely embolden the abortion industry in a way that this country has never seen. These are just a few of Biden's cabinet picks and some of the ways they've centered their careers around defending abortion at all costs...

Secretary of Health and Human Services Xavier Becerra:

The former California Attorney General has a history of abusing the power of his office to enable the abortion lobby. Shortly after succeeding Kamala Harris in the position, Becerra continued her persecution of pro-life journalist David Daleiden by issuing charges against the investigator for exposing Planned Parenthood's illegal fetal tissue trafficking trade.

Becerra prioritized the abortion industry's interests above women and children's safety again when, in the midst of a worldwide pandemic, Becerra organized 21 state attorneys general to sue the Food and Drug Administration, requesting that health protocols safeguarding women from dangerous chemical abortion pills be dropped.

Office of Management and Budget Nominee Neera Tanden:

While Tanden ultimately withdrew her nomination after it was clear she would not be confirmed, the White House issued a statement saying that Tanden would likely be considered for another position in the administration. Given her record, there is plenty of reason for pro-lifers to be concerned if she were to assume any position of prominence.

Tanden played a pivotal role in writing that infamous Health and Human Services (HHS) mandate that forced Christians to violate their religious beliefs by forcing them to pay for abortifacients.

White House Deputy Budget Director Nominee Shalanda Young:

In response to a question about the Hyde Amendment, a policy forbidding federal funding of abortion barring cases of rape, incest, or threat to the mother's life, Young described eliminating Hyde as a matter of "economic and racial justice."

How would making it easier for the abortion industry to target minority women and their children advance racial equality in any way? Already, Black women are four times more likely to have an abortion than white women. Are their children not just as valuable? Why not treat all preborn children as if they are inherently precious?

United States Secretary of Energy Jennifer Granholm:

While serving as Michigan's governor, Granholm vetoed a Partial-Birth Abortion Ban on two separate occasions. The ban was upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2007, preventing abortionists from partially delivering children and then killing them. In addition, Granholm negotiated with the state legislature to secure looser abortion restrictions, preventing the passage of a bill that would require women to receive honest information about their child's development via ultrasound before an abortion. During her second term as governor, Granholm also advocated for a ballot provision that would allow the barbaric and outdated practice of fetal stem cell research in Michigan.

Associate Attorney General Vanita Gupta:

In 2020, Gupta argued before the Supreme Court that the Little Sisters of the Poor are not entitled to a religious exemption when paying for contraceptives, sterilizations, and abortifacients. She also supported the Court's *June Medical Services v. Russo* decision, which overturned Louisiana's Unsafe Abortion Protection Act. Gupta referred to the decision as a "victory" for "abortion advocates." But all the policy did was require abortion facilities to be held to the same standard of care as ambulatory surgical centers in the state.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Public Affairs Jesse Lawder:

Before assuming his role at the Department of Labor, Lawder was the former VP of Marketing and Communications for **Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region and Southwest Missouri**. That particular Planned Parenthood facility is notorious for its multiple abortion-related emergencies and unsanitary conditions.

U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy:

Planned Parenthood praised Biden's pick for the 21st U.S. Surgeon General. According to the abortion vendor, Murthy has "proudly declared that access to abortion and birth control are essential components of health care."

Secretary of State Anthony Blinken:

While Blinken does not have the same ties to the abortion industry as some of the other cabinet picks, all available evidence indicates that he will fall in line with the administration's plan to expand abortion internationally.

The nominee tweeted last August that the president must protect so-called "reproductive rights" worldwide. And Biden is certainly taking steps to ensure his administration fulfills that campaign promise. For example, within days of taking office, the **president** reversed the Mexico City Policy, restoring taxpayer funding for overseas abortions.

This is not in line with the views of most Americans. As a recent **Marist/Knights of Columbus** poll found, 77% of Americans – including 55% of Democrats, 85% of Independents, and nearly two-thirds of pro-choice respondents – oppose using taxpayer dollars to promote abortion overseas.

In terms of how the United States is viewed on the world stage, does the Biden administration really want us to be seen, not as a country that defends all innocent human lives, but as a nation that supports abortion above all else?

Other harmful actions undertaken by the Biden administration within its first 100 days include:

Abortion Funding

- **Signed a COVID relief package without Hyde protections**
- **Reversed the Mexico City Policy/Protecting Life in Global Health Policy**
- **Instructed incoming HHS Secretary to review the Trump Admin's pro-life Title X rule for revocation.**
- **Gave multiple Planned Parenthood affiliates PPP Loans**
- **Pledged to restore funding to the pro-abortion World Health Organization**
- **Getting rid of Helms Amendment**

Policies That Harm Pro-Life Efforts and Values

- [Equality Act](#)
- [HR1](#)
- [Working to gut the filibuster](#)
- [The ERA](#)
- [Getting rid of Hyde Amendment protections](#) that limit taxpayer funding of abortions to cases of rape, incest, and when the mother's life is in danger.
- [Getting rid of Helms Amendment protections](#) stopping taxpayer funds in foreign aid for paying for abortions.
- Threatening the [Weldon Amendment](#). The Weldon Amendment prohibits federal funding of states which discriminate against health care entities because of their opposition to abortion. The Department of Health and Human Services twice found California to be in violation of the Weldon Amendment in recent years for the state's abortion coverage and abortion advertising mandates.
- [EACH Act](#), which would gut Hyde and force Americans to pay for abortion through their insurance plans

At this rate, the next few years of the Biden-Harris administration will likely include more policies intended to promote the interests of the abortion lobby at the expense of human lives. In the absence of political leadership dedicated to preserving the future of all citizens, it is up to the pro-life movement to inspire change through peaceful outreach and dialogue efforts.