



PREGNANCY CARE ALLIANCE
OF MASSACHUSETTS

The Truth About Pregnancy Centers

Since the United States Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* on June 24, 2022, the abortion industry, abortion advocates, and their political allies have increasingly demonized their primary competition: pregnancy centers. Through a disinformation campaign, abortion proponents have stoked anger, vandalism, and violence against these pregnancy centers. It's time to set the record straight.

PREGNANCY CENTERS IN MASSACHUSETTS

Pregnancy centers are life-affirming non-profit organizations committed to aiding women facing unexpected pregnancies. They are part of a nationwide network of centers that provide accurate and thorough information on all pregnancy options and offer a wide array of services to women so they can make informed decisions about their pregnancy. In addition, centers provide on-going care, education, and support so families can successfully parent. Pregnancy centers ascribe to the principle of "loving them both."

- Comprised of different service models that include:
 - medical clinics
 - doctor's offices
 - resource centers
 - professional counseling centers.
- Operate 30 centers located throughout Massachusetts.
- Receive no state or federal funding.
- Provide all of their services at no cost through private donations.
- Annually distribute over \$1.3 million in material resources.
- Have a 95% satisfaction rating from clients.

SERVICES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

Pregnancy centers offer a wide variety of free services for pregnant women, which can include:

- lab-quality pregnancy tests.
- pregnancy options information including parenting, adoption, and abortion.
- ultrasounds for pregnancy confirmation.
- consultation with a licensed medical professional and/or licensed counselors.
- testing for Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Infections.
- material resources such as diapers, clothing, layette items, baby equipment, formula, food & gift cards.
- parenting education.
- housing referrals.

PROFESSIONALISM AND EXCELLENCE

Pregnancy centers approach their mission with professionalism, respect, confidentiality, compassion, and excellence. Standards include the following:

- Clients are served without regard to sex, race, income, nationality, religious affiliation, disability, or other circumstances.
- Centers offering medical services function under the authority of a Massachusetts licensed physician who is in good standing with the Massachusetts Board of Registration.
- Medical services, including ultrasounds, are conducted by trained and licensed medical professionals. Pregnancy tests are administered in accordance with all applicable laws.
- Centers adhere to HIPAA regulations and only disclose client information as required by law or when necessary to protect the client or others against imminent harm.
- Clients receive medically accurate information about pregnancy, fetal development, pregnancy options, sexually transmitted infections and abortion pill reversal.
- Pregnancy centers provide a safe environment by screening all volunteers and staff who work with clients.
- Staff, board members, and volunteers receive appropriate training on professional operating practices.

OVERWHELMING SUPPORT

- Community-based support of pregnancy centers is offered nationwide through 15,000 staff and 54,000 volunteers, including 10,200 licensed medical professionals (staff and volunteers).
- 74% of Americans – across political lines – support the work of pregnancy centers.
- 80% of Americans believe elected officials should publicly denounce attacks on pregnancy centers and should prosecute vandalism and violence against pregnancy centers.

To learn more about the truth of the work of pregnancy centers, make an appointment to visit a center near you.