Girls Incorporated

Stance on Abortion/Contraception

https://girlsinc.org/app/uploads/2023/02/Youth-and-Reproductive-Rights-2023.pdf

This brochure features several points of misinformation regarding abortion, contraception, and the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. For example, no state completely bans abortion following the *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision, and the states that they claim have complete bans all have exceptions whether for rape, life of the mother, or incest.

https://www.cbs8.com/article/news/local/teens-with-girls-inc-of-san-diego-county-react-roe-v-wade-overturn/509-99383306-e1cc-4a10-b4af-876661965a7c

This news story features teenagers from the Girls Inc. of San Diego County reacting negatively to the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* in 2022.

https://girlsinc.org/app/uploads/2017/06/Reproductive-Health-Helping-Girls-Lead-Healthy-Lives.pdf

Girls Inc. actively promotes contraceptives in their "Reproductive Health: Helping Girls Lead Healthy Lives" brochure on their website:

- ◆ "Comprehensive sexuality education includes medically accurate information on a broad set of topics related to sexuality, including: human development, healthy relationships, consent, decision making, abstinence, contraception, and disease prevention. In contrast, abstinence-only or "sexual risk avoidance" programs are harmfully misleading and have not been proven effective at meeting the needs of young people" (p.1).
- ♦ "For many women and girls, contraception and other forms of reproductive health care are out of reach because of their income level, where they live, or what their parents/caregivers think about them accessing these resources" (p.1).
- ◆ "Girls Inc. believes that all women and girls have the right to bodily integrity, sexual safety, sexual pleasure, comprehensive sexuality education, and access to affordable reproductive health care" (p.2).

One of the sources they reference in this brochure is Planned Parenthood (p. 2 under "End Notes").

https://girlsinc.org/national-statement-supporting-abortion-rights/

In their "Statement Supporting Abortion Rights," Girls Inc.'s views on abortion and contraception are summarized below:

To that end, Girls Inc. believes everyone has the fundamental right to choose if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant and carry a pregnancy to term. As part of our mission to advance girls' rights and opportunities, we support access to comprehensive sex education and safe, high-quality reproductive health care, including contraception and abortion services.

https://girlsinc.org/girls-need-truth-trust-technology-take-charge-sexual-health/

This statement from Girls Inc. promotes contraception to teenage girls.

https://girlsincofsantafe.org/about-us/frequently-asked-questions

The above link contains Girls Inc. of Sante Fe's response to FAQ on their website regarding their philosophy on sexuality, sex education, and reproductive "freedom":

Girls Incorporated encourages all girls to develop positive sexual identities and to function comfortably as responsible sexual beings. We recognize that the family is the primary source of information about sex, and we help girls and young women communicate with their families about sexuality. To make responsible decisions about sexuality, pregnancy and parenthood, girls need and have a right to sensitive, truthful sexuality education; convenient access to safe, effective methods of contraception and protection from disease; and referral to comprehensive information, counseling, clinical and other services that support their responsible decisions. We recognize that any sizable group of girls includes those who face issues related to their sexual orientation or that of a family member and who face discrimination based on this sexual orientation. Girls have a right to positive, supportive environments and linkages to community resources for dealing with issues of sexual orientation.

https://girlsincshelby.org/about/outcomes/

Girls Inc. of Shelbyville and Shelby County boasted about girls being "agents of their own sexual health" with stats saying three out of four of them used some form of contraception the last time they had sex.

https://girlsinc-houston.org/news-events/in-the-news/

The Girls Inc. of Houston reported the following news items on abortion and birth control from late 2022 to early 2023:

On January 9 of this year, there has been a new bill proposed to protect women's reproductive health rights. This bill was proposed by a Texas Senator! The SHIELD Act covers not only reproductive rights for women, but it also covers protections for medical physicians, mental health professionals, law enforcement, lawyers, nurses, practitioners, and judges. Minors in Texas, specifically teenage girls, almost always need permission from their parent/guardian to access any form of birth control. Title X clinics, which are federally funded clinics, offer birth control and other forms of contraception to Texas teens. Recently, there has been some concern about Title X clinics in Texas. A court ruling could prevent teens in Texas from receiving access to birth control. Texas has one of the highest teen pregnancy rates in the country. In 2020, Texas exceeded the national teen pregnancy rate. This is largely due to lack of sex education taught in schools and in the household. In some regions of the state, there have been major attempts to incorporate proper sex/health education into public schools. Although, rural Texas cities are still on the journey to broaden sex education.

https://girlsinc.org/meaningful-youth-civic-engagement-a-silver-lining-of-2022/

The above article promotes the abortion agenda by condemning the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, retelling the event of Girls Inc. engaging in activism to support abortion at the White House Youth Communities in Action Forum, and that midterm elections of 2022 turned out the way they did because people believe in abortion rights.

Girls Inc. Awarded pro-abortion Hillary Clinton with the 2017 Champion for Girls Award.

Hillary Clinton Delivers Her Remarks at 2017 Girls Inc. New York Luncheon



Stance on Planned Parenthood

Girls Inc. has had a history of partnering with Planned Parenthood. They have continued this relationship to this day. Examples are below:

https://girlsinc.org/girls-inc-advocates-for-girls-rights-on-capitol-hill/

Girls Inc. had partnered for women-centered events with organizations such as the YMCA, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, and Planned Parenthood as of 2023 to collectively advocate for abortion on Capitol Hill.

https://girlsincpnw.org/girlsincpnw events/safer-sex-101-with-planned-parenthood/

On January 19, 2022, as part of its Eureka! Program, Girls Inc. of the Pacific Northwest sponsored a "Safer Sex 101" event with Planned Parenthood.

https://www.fiasi.org/events/presenters/1478-pamela-maraldo

Pamela Maraldo, the current CEO of Girls Inc. Of NYC, was the CEO of Planned Parenthood for three years from 2000-2003.

https://www.coastalview.com/news/girls-inc-of-carpinteria-planned-parenthood-partner-for-sex-ed-series/article ad2fa15a-8482-11ec-86e8-df755a077b4d.html

Girls Inc. of Carpinteria partnered with Planned Parenthood for another Eureka! Program to discuss sex ed. to teenage girls in 2022.

https://www.facebook.com/GirlsIncOrangeCounty/photos/a.1015218093566393 6/10159042425568936/?paipv=0&eav=AfbXo7oQhpqlsn3mdbRmf P7H7VUF0eU chdp2KNOm7S0oNvdCTUPUguFP1i59fDeBHc

Girls Inc. of Orange County partnered with Planned Parenthood for a teen relationships program during 2021.

Stance on LGBTQ+ Lifestyle

https://girlsinc.org/pride-month/

Girls Inc. States the following on their website:

"Girls Inc. is committed to providing the Girls Inc. experience to all youth who identify as girls regardless of their assigned sex at birth, and those who are exploring their gender identity or expression during their time at Girls. Inc."

https://girlsinc.org/app/uploads/2021/12/Support-Comprehensive-Sex-Education.pdf

In their "Support Comprehensive Sex Education" brochure, Girls Inc. says the following about needing education on the LGBTQ+ lifestyle:

Evidence also suggests that LGBTQ+ inclusive sexual health curricula are successful in reducing homophobic attitudes, reducing homophobic bullying and harassment, and increasing safety for LGBTQ+ students in schools. And according to a research study, each episode of physical or verbal harassment or abuse directed at LGBT youth increases the likelihood of self-harming behavior by 2.5 times on average. Not surprisingly, there is a significant difference between LGBTQ+ students' feelings of peer

acceptance in schools with or without inclusive and affirming curricula (68% versus 36%).

https://girlsinc-alameda.org/

Girls Inc. Alameda states on their website that "Girls" refers to "gender-expansive youth (cis girls, trans girls, non-binary youth, gender non-conforming youth, gender queer youth, and any girl-identified youth)."

Other

http://eic.opalstacked.com/AmericanGirlboycottedforalliancewithGirlsInc/

This article covers the 2005 controversy with American Girl partnering with proabortion Girls Inc.

https://girlsinc-alameda.org/our-story/

The pro-abortion Clinton Global Initiative has a history of supporting Girls Inc. according to the timeline on the Girls Inc. of Alameda's website:

In 2010, Girls Inc. was honored by the Clinton Global Initiative as one of the 'Commitments to Empower Girls and Women.' After a successful three-year capital campaign that raised \$11.4 million, we opened the new Girls Inc. Simpson Center for Girls in 2013 and moved our headquarters to downtown Oakland. In April 2021, Pathways Counseling Center left Girls Inc. of Alameda County. Girls Inc. remains committed to providing support to staff, girls, and their families. Today, we provide a continuum of lifechanging programs and counseling services in our Simpson Center for Girls and across more than 20 schools and satellite centers throughout Alameda County. We continue to believe in the power of girls.