

## Hard Questions

- 1. Isn't your organization biased as a pro-life organization?** We seek to treat each woman as an individual, regardless of her beliefs or any other identity factor. We provide a safe place for her to express her situation and feelings. We seek to understand her situation, we provide factual information about parenting, adoption, and abortion. We support women regardless of the decision they make. If they choose to parent we provide resources to support that decision. If they choose adoption, we provide information for navigating the adoption process and references for the legalities. If they choose abortion, we do not refer to abortion clinics, but we provide post abortion education for women who need support post-abortion.
- 2. Don't CPCs intentionally try to mislead women who are seeking abortion services?** Our center, and most of them we are familiar with, take special care to be open and honest about the services and information we provide, and the limitations of these services. Anyone is welcome to come visit and tour Insight Women's Center, review our informational materials, and meet with our director, staff and volunteers to ask any questions about what we do and say.
- 3. You don't really care about women; you just think you are saving babies!** We believe that the stronger and more empowered a woman is the more successful she will be in her life and as a mother. Our center offers ongoing support for women throughout their pregnancies and parenting support throughout the first year of the babies' life. Through our Bright Course program, women can earn Baby Bucks to purchase just about everything she will need for the material support of her baby. During this time, we get to know women and their needs. We also offer post-abortive support through the ABAnon (Abortions Anonymous) an eight-week study or a confidential, week-end retreat, and SAVAnon (Sexual Abuse Victims Anonymous), for women who've experienced trauma from a sexual assault or childhood sexual abuse. We attempt to support and promote their success in all areas of life often helping to connect them to other community resources such as Healthy Families, social services, housing services, etc.
- 4. Do you refer for abortions? If you do not offer abortion services (or refer for abortion) how can you claim to be pro-women?** No, but we provide factual information on parenting, adoption, and abortion during our options education. We are a Christian organization that believes in the intrinsic value of life. This belief enhances our respect for all individuals, including the woman who is grappling with a pregnancy decision. Our respect and love for her as an individual does not change based on the decision she makes for her pregnancy. We draw the line at referring for abortion because of our mission as a center. While a woman choosing abortion is free to pursue that decision for herself.
- 5. With limited medical services, how can you truly give women the support they need?** Facing an unexpected pregnancy has many challenges associated with it, starting with working through emotions, fears, and decision making that can impact a woman for the rest of her life. We provide options education to give women a chance to express their feelings and fears, thoughtfully consider their options without panic, and then use the information we provide to make their own choices. Medically, we have nurses who are licensed, and conduct free pregnancy testing and validation (need for KanCare insurance) and sonograms. We provide pre-natal and parenting education. We provide community resources information.
- 6. CPC's around the country lie to women to push their anti-abortion agenda. How can you expect anyone to trust what you say?** Insight Women's Center takes great care to provide factual information on pregnancy options. Anyone is free to review our information materials, visit the center, and meet with our director to discuss this concern. When seeking any advice or service individuals must decide for themselves who to trust. Come meet us, understand what we do and then decide for yourself.
- 7. Do you provide birth control? Why would you be opposed to birth control when it prevents pregnancy? Therefore, preventing abortion altogether.** We do not provide birth control. Most of today's forms of birth control require long term medical care to ensure the method is safe and effective for each individual. We are not opposed to birth control. We desire for people to have the healthiest relationships possible, and data/research shows that waiting for sex until marriage creates the healthiest scenario. Also, as a Christian organization we recommend abstinence until marriage.
- 8. Do you have licensed medical providers? Nurses and or Doctors?** Yes. Our pregnancy testing (for validation) and sonograms are conducted by licensed nurses and our sonograms are reviewed by a radiologist and we have a medical director overseeing the medical procedures.