

Week 2: Introduction

Abortion, Professionalism, and Patient-centered Counseling

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Week 2: Overview and Objectives

After this week, learners will be able to

- Describe key stakeholders' reactions to Roe v. Wade in American culture
- Understand the professional responsibilities of health-care providers caring for women seeking abortion
- Recognize and appreciate appropriate and inappropriate applications of “conscience” in the setting of abortion care
- Provide objective and compassionate pregnancy options counseling
- Practice patient communication skills
- Identify steps to take to enhance professionalism in personally challenging clinical encounters

Abortion in the U.S. After Legalization

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Physicians' Professional Responsibilities in Abortion Care

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Nursing Roles in Abortion Care:

Clinical Responsibility and Professional Ethics

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Conscientious Provision and Refusal of Abortion Care

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Decision Counseling for Positive Pregnancy Test Results

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Informed Consent, Decision Assessment, and Counseling in Abortion Care

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Teaching Professionalism in Abortion Care

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Expert Interviews

- Diana Greene Foster, PhD, Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health (ANSIRH)
 - Turnaway Study
- Rebecca Gomperts, MD, MPP, Women on Waves
 - Abortion in the U.S.
- Sierra Harris, ACCESS Women's Health Justice
- Amy Miller, Whole Woman's Health

Additional Resources

Videos

- MSNBC's Rachel Maddow Show segment: "Wendy Davis Seeks to Rouse Dormant Democratic Giant in Texas"



Articles in Popular Culture

- "In Photos: The Journey to Get an Abortion From Texas' Rio Grande Valley", *Cosmopolitan*.
- "The New Abortion Providers" *The New York Times*.
- "Where are the Doctors." *USA Today*.
- "What Happens to Women When They are Denied Abortion" *The New York Times*

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Additional Resources

- Values Clarification Educational Materials
 - MedEdPORTAL Caring for Challenging Patients Workshop
 - Innovating Education in Reproductive Health
 - Professionalism Teaching Resources
 - innovating-education.org
 - Reproductive Health Access Project
 - Values Clarification



Academic Literature

- Harris L. Recognizing conscience in abortion provision. *NEJM*. 2012.
- One Hundred Professors of Obstetrics and Gynecology. A statement on abortion by 100 professors of obstetrics: 40 years later. *AJOG*. Sept. 2013. 193-9.
- Perrucci AC. Decision Assessment and Counseling in Abortion Care: Philosophy and Practice. 2012.

