

Every Mother Counts

Stance on Abortion

<https://everymothercounts.org/our-story/the-issue/>

On the “Our Story” section of their website, Every Mother Counts cites statistics from the World Health Organization that 7.9% of maternal fatalities around the world are due to "unsafe abortions."

<https://pai.org/news/abortion-is-health-care-everywhere-ensuring-access-to-abortion-services-for-millions-of-people-globally>

The pro-abortion group PAI wrote a press release in June 2022 to support the *Abortion Is Health Care Everywhere Act*. In addition to their own views, PAI listed CEOs of other organizations who supported this act. This includes Christy Turlington Burns of Every Mother Counts. According to Turlington Burns:

Access to abortion care is central to the health and human rights of women and pregnant people, both in the United States and globally. Globally, unsafe abortion, which results from barriers to accessing safe, respectful abortion care, is a leading cause of maternal deaths and complications. Every Mother Counts supports the Abortion is Health Care Everywhere Act, which would repeal the Helms amendment, a harmful abortion restriction that keeps maternal and reproductive health care, including abortion care, out of reach for people around the world, and prevents pregnant people and mothers from making decisions about whether, when, and how to give birth.

<https://medium.com/every-mother-counts/every-partner-counts-planned-parenthood-2404e9674ee9>

This article from 2013 is no longer on Every Mother Counts’ website, but it was republished on The Medium’s website. While discussing the documentary *No Woman, No Cry* made by EMC’s CEO Christy Turlington Burns, she says they worked with Planned Parenthood to investigate “reproductive barriers” in Guatemala. In the documentary, Turlington Burns states that maternal deaths could be avoidable if it weren’t for “unsafe abortions” due to “restrictive” abortion laws in places like Guatemala. This portion of the documentary promotes abortion and

contraception to women in Guatemala and shows a woman and her doctor discussing the woman's desire to be sterilized.

At the end of the documentary, Planned Parenthood Federation of America is credited with "special thanks," along with numerous pro-abortion organizations such as The United Nations, Plan International, Jhpiego, and Guttmacher Institute.

<https://www.facebook.com/everymothercounts/posts>

Every Mother Counts posted the above on Facebook for the one-year anniversary of the *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision to discuss the "negative impact" of the decision.

https://www.plannedparenthood.org/uploads/filer_public/e8/3a/e83af8fa-907d-4aae-940e-22796c190740/org_endorsements_global_her_-_march_2023.pdf

Every Mother Counts signed a petition of support for the pro-abortion [Global HER](#) (The Global Health, Empowerment and Rights) Act.

<https://2022impact.everymothercounts.org/>

In the opening statement of their 2022 Impact Report, Christy Turlington Burns wrote the following:

At the risk of repeating myself, I feel compelled to start by saying, never before in recent history has the issue of maternal health been so important. I made a similar assertion last year, and the year prior. And yet, here I am, again. But in a year where *Roe v. Wade* was overturned, and where we saw reports of maternal mortality rates not only stagnating but increasing in the United States and in multiple countries across the globe, it bears repeating.

Stance on LGBTQ+ Lifestyle

<https://www.facebook.com/everymothercounts/posts/we-support-everyone-who-gives-birth-which-includes-advocating-for-gender-inclusi>

Every Mother Counts reposted a *USA Today* article on their Facebook page in 2021 about "gender neutral" language when referring to maternity care. They stated:

We support everyone who gives birth, which includes advocating for gender inclusive language in maternal health legislation. Gender neutral terms in policy, whenever possible, helps work towards a future where

everyone interacting with the maternity care system receives the quality, respectful and equitable care they deserve.

A couple of stats to consider:

About 5.6% of U.S. adults identify as #LGBTQ, and 0.6% identify specifically as #transgender, according to a Gallup poll released in February. Among Generation Z adults – those 18 to 23 – nearly 16% identify as LGBTQ, and about 2% identify as transgender. []

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid>



Every Mother Counts also posted a “Pride Month” picture on Facebook in 2023, stating: “Happy #Pride to all who enter parenthood. As the month comes to an end, we affirm our commitment to building a world where all people receive quality, respectful, and equitable maternity care.”



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