



July 12, 2009

Tom Miller
Attorney General of Iowa
Hoover State Office Building
1300 E. Walnut, Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear General Miller:

This is a formal request for a state audit of Planned Parenthood of the Heartland (PPH). I am requesting this audit for the following reasons:

1. There is documentation that PPH overbills insurance companies for remote-controlled abortion pill distribution services known as “teled abortions.” Insurance companies are billed at twice the rate as cash patients, which is 2 ½ times the national average cost of similar medical abortions. This serves to drive up insurance costs for everyone who has health insurance. (See Attachment 1)
2. The Iowa Attorney General’s office has funneled thousands of taxpayer dollars directly to PPH, yet there is a question of accountability concerning exactly how these funds were spent. PPH also receives Federal funding under Title X. (See Attachment 2-3)
3. The Federal Governmental Accountability Office audit released May 28, 2010, shows that \$2.3 billion dollars in taxpayer money has been doled out to Planned Parenthood organizations nationwide from 2002-2008, yet Planned Parenthood’s own financial reports show that only \$657.1 million has been spent. That leaves \$1.8 billion dollars in tax funds unaccounted for, and some of that money undoubtedly has made its way into the Iowa PP organizations. Taxpayers deserve to know if PPH is misappropriating or somehow misusing government funds. (See Attachments 4-5)
4. A state audit conducted in California in 2004 of Planned Parenthood of San Diego and Riverside Counties (PPSDRC) revealed that it had overbilled the state \$5,213,645.92 for birth control pills alone. A Federal lawsuit filed by former Chief Financial Officer of Planned Parenthood of Los Angeles revealed that the state of California was bilked out of at total of \$180 million by Planned Parenthood affiliates in that state. It is reasonable to think that similar billing abuses may be occurring at PPH, especially in light of their own admission that they overbill insurance companies for certain abortions. (See Attachments 6-9)

There are reasons to believe that PPH may be engaged in improper financial dealings that is costing taxpayers money. The public has a right to know if PPH is receiving state and/or federal tax dollars, exactly how that money is being spent, and if there is a proper accounting for it.

Thank you for your prompt consideration of this important matter. Please do not hesitate to call me at 316-683-6790, ext. 111 if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

[Signed]

Troy Newman
President

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