

The 95-10 Initiative will:

Empower Women

Federal Funding for Toll-Free Number/ National Public Awareness Program

Enact an advertising campaign in each state to provide a toll free number that will direct a woman to organizations that provide support services for pregnant women who want to carry their children to term and/or direct women to adoption centers.

*Organizations that qualify for the referral from the toll-free hotline must be non-profit, tax exempt organizations that do not provide abortion referral services.

Conduct a National Study & Update Abortion Data

The Centers for Disease Control will collect accurate data on why women choose abortions. Within five years of enactment, the CDC will present its findings to Congress.

*This will be compiled on a confidential and voluntary basis.

Federal Funding for Pregnancy Pre- vention Education

Provide grants to school districts that are in need of funds to administer effective, age-appropriate pregnancy prevention education.

Real Solutions

While both Democrats and Republicans talk about reducing the number of abortions, Democrats for Life of America offers real solutions to make this goal a reality.

With bold new ideas, sound research and policy arguments, the 95-10 Initiative contains proven policy suggestions to dramatically reduce the number of abortions in America.



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The 95-10 Initiative

A comprehensive package of federal legislation and policy proposals that will reduce the number of abortions by 95% in the next 10 years.

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Federal Funding for Pregnancy Counseling and Daycare on University Campuses

Provide grants for universities and colleges to support pregnant women; provide resources and support to help women continue their education if they keep their child or make an adoption plan for their child.

*These grants will help universities establish an on-campus office for counseling, referral, and parenting services for pregnant women and daycare services for parents.

Provide Accurate Information to Patients Receiving a Positive Result from an Alpha-Fetoprotein Test tests.

Pregnant women who choose to undergo prenatal genetic testing should be provided with information on the accuracy of these tests. There can be false-positive results, indicating a problem when the fetus is actually healthy.

Make Adoption Tax Credits Permanent

Repeal the sunset on adoption tax credits and make them permanent.

Ban Insurance Industry Discrimination Against Pregnant Women

End the discriminatory practices against pregnant women by ensuring that women with healthcare coverage do not experience undue burdens in their access to and payment for health insurance.

Require Adoption Referral Information

Require pregnancy centers and women's health centers that provide pregnancy counseling and that receive federal funding to provide adoption referral information.

Women's Right to Know

Any women's health center or clinic that provides pregnancy counseling or abortion services must provide accurate information on abortion and the adverse side effects to a woman's health. Patients do not have to accept the materials if they do not want them.

Provide Ultrasound Equipment

Provide grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations for the purchase of ultrasound equipment to provide free examinations to pregnant women needing such services. This equipment will be operated by licensed professionals.

Increase Funding for Domestic Violence Programs

Offer additional federal funding for programs that have received grants by the Department of Justice for providing counseling and shelter for women and children in crisis pregnancies. The leading cause of death for pregnant women is murder.

Protect our Children Parental Notification

Prohibit transporting a minor across a state line to obtain an abortion. Makes an exception if the abortion was necessary to save the life of the minor.

Requires states that have parental notification to inform parents of state statutory rape laws.

(This provision has been passed by the U.S. House of Representatives and has been removed from the official language of the "95-10 Empower Act.")

Call for Congress to Fully Fund Federal WIC Program

Estimates say that every dollar spent on WIC results in \$1.77 to \$3.13 in Medicaid savings for newborns and their mothers.

Provide Grants to States to Promote and Implement Safe Haven Laws

Forty-six states now have some type of safe haven legislation. (The following states do not have safe haven legislation: AK, HI (Vetoed 7/2/03), NE and VT.) Most of the laws designate hospitals, emergency medical services, fire stations and police stations as safe locations.

Require Counseling in Maternity Group Homes

Require adoption counseling in federally funded maternity group homes and teaching of parenting skills.

Require SCHIP to cover pregnant women and their unborn children

Mandate SCHIP coverage for pregnant women and expand coverage to pregnant women through Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and to newborns through the first full year of life.