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Research With Aborted Baby Parts Has Not Produced One Single Cure

In a report released last week, the Congressional Select Panel on Infant Lives said its research has not found any medical cures directly linked to fetal tissue research in the past 90 years, CNS News reports.

“In short, human fetal tissue is outdated technology that is not necessary for modern vaccine research,” the report stated. “For example, current vaccine research for HIV/AIDS, Cancer, Malaria and Ebola does not rely on fetal tissue.”

The Select Panel on Infant Lives began investigating the use of aborted babies’ body parts last year after a series of undercover videos by the Center for Medical Progress showed top Planned Parenthood officials discussing the sale of aborted babies’ body parts.

Abortion activists repeatedly have tried to shut down the panel, arguing, in part, that the investigation is getting in the way of important medical research using fetal tissue from aborted babies.

However, the panel’s new report includes a detailed explanation of why aborted babies’ body parts are not nearly as essential to medical research as abortion activists claim.

“Some might object that while fetal tissue research has not directly resulted in medical cures, it has helped advance the overall body of scientific knowledge and thereby assisted in producing cures. It is impossible to determine whether this claim is true, and if so to what extent. Yet the fact is that no one can point to a single medical advancement that critically depended on the use of fetal tissue.”

<http://www.lifenews.com/2016/07/20/research-with-aborted-baby-parts-has-not-produced-one-single-cure/>

Feds Propose Lifting Ban on Putting Human Stem Cells in Animals

Federal officials are proposing to end a moratorium on funding for research that involves transplanting human stem cells into certain animal embryos, a controversial practice that produces organism known as *chimeras*. Under the proposed policy, taxpayer funds would be allowed for experiments in which human cells are added to early stage embryos of all animals except non-human primates.

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Churchgoing Youth Less Likely to Watch Porn



A five year study of pornography viewing among adolescents and young adults has found that youth who go to church watch less porn.

The study, entitled “How Does Religious Attendance Shape Trajectories of Pornography Use Across Adolescence?” shows that porn use increases dramatically as youth grow into adulthood, but a significantly lower increase in porn use is seen among youth who attend religious services.

The study, published in the June issue of the *Journal of Adolescence*, surveyed pornography usage of adolescents to young adults from ages 13 to 24.

National Center on Sexual Exploitation Executive Director Dawn Hawkins says, “It is important not to assume those involved in church are immune to the harms of pornography. Recent research revealed that more than half of Christian youth pastors have had a least one teen come to them for help dealing with porn in the past 12 months.

<https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/churchgoing-youth-less-likely-to-watch-porn-study?>

Pope Francis Condemns Abortion: Unborn Children “Must Always be Welcomed and Protected”



Upon his arrival in Poland, Pope Francis immediately began by speaking in defense of the unborn, Zenit reported.

The pope started his five-day trip by reminding the Polish people that “life must always be welcomed and protected. These two things go together – welcome and protection, from conception to natural death.”

The Polish laws are very pro-life. Abortion is illegal except in cases of rape and incest, or when the child has a severe disability. Polish pro-life organizations have been working to pass legislation that protects even more unborn lives. This summer, a new citizen-led initiative to ban abortion is being debated in the government. Poland’s prime minister and other political leaders have voiced their support for the measure.

<http://www.lifenews.com/2016/07/29/pope-francis-condemns-abortion-unborn-children-must-always-be-welcomed-and-protected/>

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Headline News

The Allegheny County Board of Health voted to pursue an education and information campaign promoting the HPV vaccine instead of mandating all 11 and 12 year old kids in the county be to vaccinated.

Gonorrhea is already resistant to penicillin, tetracycline and fluoroquinolones. Scientists with the CDC now worry that it will become resistant to arithromycin. There has been a huge upsurge of gonorrhea cases among men who have sex with men.

McDonald's has made a corporate decision to filter public WiFi from pornography. They have also made the services available to their franchises.

Starbucks has announced it will follow McDonalds' lead and filter its WiFi at its company-owned stores around the globe as well.

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Benjamin Watson: Planned Parenthood founded to 'exterminate blacks'

Ravens tight end Benjamin Watson has not hesitated to speak out on the state of race relations in the United States, but he's drawing both criticism and praise for claiming that Planned Parenthood was created to "exterminate blacks" and that "it's working."

Watson is certainly not the first person to point out Sanger's racist views, which were unfortunately common in American society in the early 20th century. But as a popular NFL star sharing the message on social media, that history might find a new audience unaware of Planned Parenthood's origins.

The 35-year-old Watson signed a two-year, \$7 million deal with the Ravens in the offseason.

<http://www.msn.com/en-us/sports/nfl/benjamin-watson-planned-parenthood-founded-to-exterminate-blacks/ar-BBvk45r?li=BBnb7Kz>

A Physician Exposes the Truth About the Pill



Dr. John Littell vividly recalls being at a medical conference a few years ago and asking the lecturer on women's health why he didn't discuss the connection between oral contraceptives and cervical cancer. Replying to the room full of three hundred doctors he replied, "Let's keep that to ourselves."

The message was clear. Preventing unplanned pregnancies was more important than informing women about the risks associated with the Pill. "Physicians in training during the past thirty years or so have been taught to find *any* reason to put women on some form of contraception—without mentioning any possible risk associated with these methods," Littell writes in *Verily* magazine. In other words, doctors know about the risks but don't feel the need to inform their patients about them. Littell, who's been in family practice for nearly thirty years, admits that he used to be one of those doctors.

It wasn't until the issue of contraception affected him personally that he changed his perspective. After having three children in the first five years of their marriage, Littell and his wife decided that was enough. "That's when the truth about female fertility really hit home for me," he writes. "Since my wife's mother had died at the age of 52 from a cerebral aneurysm, we knew that exposing my wife to artificial hormones would place her at increased risk of stroke." So they decided on Natural Family Planning, specifically the Billings Ovulation Method. Using it, Littell writes, "put the challenge on me as a husband to communicate about and cooperate with my wife's fertility, rather than ending or altering her fertility with chemicals."

Natural ovarian hormones act on almost every organ system in a woman's body for optimal functioning, according to Littell. He cites some of the benefits of *not* being on hormonal contraception: improved mood, reduced risk of heart disease and stroke, reduced risk of breast cancer, reduced risk of osteoporosis, and better overall energy levels.

Littell writes that women using hormonal contraception may be at risk for the following: increased risk of cardiovascular disease, depression, loss of libido, weight gain, premature bone loss, and higher risk of breast cancer.

Littell believes that the Fertility Awareness Method (FAM) of natural birth control "has been distorted in the medical textbooks," and is still referred to by most physicians as the "rhythm method." However, he notes that when it is taught and used correctly, "**modern methods of FAM have an effectiveness rate of 99 percent, which is as effective as the Pill for avoiding pregnancy.**"

To best serve women's reproductive health needs, he believes it's time to reconsider natural methods of family planning—methods which don't put women's health in jeopardy. "Female empowerment," he writes, "comes from knowing all the options. Turning blindly to the Pill is not a fix-all; in fact, it's quite the opposite."

<http://www.ncregister.com/blog/segelstein/a-physician-exposes-the-truth-about-the-pill/> 7/24/16