



Prochoice Platform

I am committed to protecting and advancing reproductive health, rights, and justice. **I believe** unequivocally, like the majority of Americans, that every person should have access to quality reproductive health care services, including safe and legal abortion—regardless of where they live, how much money they make, or how they are insured. **I believe** that reproductive health is core to people of all genders' health and wellbeing. **I will continue to stand up** to Republican efforts to defund Planned Parenthood health centers, which provide critical health services to millions of people. I will continue to oppose—and seek to overturn—federal and state laws and policies that impede access to abortion, including by repealing the Hyde Amendment. **I condemn** and will combat any acts of violence, harassment, and intimidation of reproductive health providers, patients, and staff. **I will defend** the ACA, which extends affordable preventive health care to women, gender-nonconforming, and transgender people, including no-cost contraception, and prohibits discrimination in health care based on gender.

I will address the discrimination and barriers that inhibit meaningful access to reproductive health care services, including those based on gender, sexuality, race, income, disability, and other factors. **I strongly and unequivocally support** quality, affordable comprehensive health care, evidence-based sex education and a full range of family planning services, as they help reduce the number of unintended pregnancies and thereby also reduce the need for abortions.

And **I strongly and unequivocally support** a person's decision to have a child, including by ensuring a safe and healthy pregnancy and childbirth, and by providing services during pregnancy and after the birth of a child, including adoption and social support services, as well as protections against pregnancy discrimination. **I am committed** to creating a society where children are safe and can thrive physically, emotionally, educationally, and spiritually. **I recognize and support** the importance of civil structures that are essential to creating this for every child.

I affirm the above statement.

In addition, I affirm that I, or my staff, will engage in to regular, responsive communication with the #VOTEPROCHOICE field team.

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