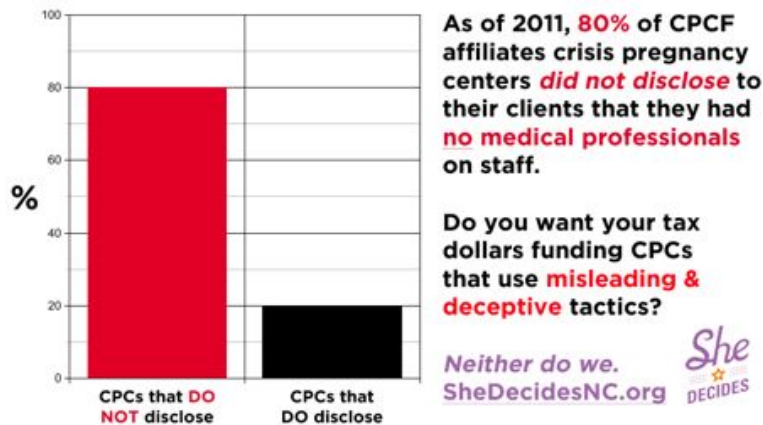




Fast Facts: Crisis Pregnancy Centers (CPCs)

What is a Crisis Pregnancy Center?

Crisis Pregnancy Centers are “pregnancy support” centers whose goals are to block women from making fully informed choices about their reproductive options. CPCs routinely engage in deceptive practices to misinform women about abortion and contraceptive care.



NARAL Pro-Choice North Carolina Foundation published an investigative report about North Carolina CPCs in 2011. Below are some of our key findings:

- North Carolina has four times as many Crisis Pregnancy Centers as abortion care providers. (As of 2013, there are eight times as many CPCs as abortion care providers).
- Many CPCs receive funding from explicitly anti-choice organizations (like The Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship).
- CPCs target college-age women and women of color. Every University campus in the state has at least one CPC located within 24 miles.
- CPCs spread misinformation and medical inaccuracies about abortion. 26% incorrectly stated falsely that abortion leads to breast cancer.
- CPCs encourage women that birth control is ineffective. 48% advised women seeking family planning services that none of the common methods of birth control are effective at preventing pregnancy.
- The State of North Carolina funds CPCs. The 2013 budget allocated \$250,000 in taxpayer dollars to support Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship, an umbrella organization that supports more than half of NC's CPCs.

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