The Phony War on Women Is a Crime Against Humanity

Another questionable moniker is that of “safe legal abortion.” Most women are never told that approximately 10 percent of women undergoing elective abortion will suffer immediate complications, of which approximately one-fifth (20%) are considered life threatening. The nine most common major complications which can occur at the time of an abortion are: infection, excessive bleeding, embolism, ripping or perforation of the uterus, anesthesia complications, convulsions, hemorrhage, cervical injury, and endotoxic shock. The most common “minor” complications include: infection, bleeding, fever, second degree burns, chronic abdominal pain, vomiting, gastrointestinal disturbances, and Rh sensitization. (Source: Frank, et.al., “Induced Abortion Operations and Their Early Sequelae”, Journal of the Royal College of General Practitioners (April 1985), 35(73):175-180; Grimes and Cates, “Abortion: Methods and Complications”, Human Reproduction, 2nd ed., 796-813; M.A Freedman, “Comparison of complication rates in first trimester abortions performed by physician assistants and physicians,” Am. J. Public Health, 76(5):550-554 (1986).)

Up to 10 percent of mental health problems among women may be affected by a history of abortion, according to a new review published by the Royal College of Psychiatrists in their British Journal of Psychiatry. The review, which included 877,181 women from six countries, has reawakened accusations that the American Psychological Association Task Force on Abortion and Mental Health deliberately understated abortion’s mental health risks for ideological reasons.

Induced abortion has also been found to increase the risk of placenta previa by 50 percent and doubles the risk of pre-term birth in later pregnancies. Several studies analyzed in a landmark 2003 article in the Obstetrical and Gynecological Survey show that induced abortion also increases the risk of placenta previa by 50 percent and doubles the risk of pre-term birth in later pregnancies. Placenta previa – where the placenta implants at the bottom of the uterus and covers the cervix – places the lives of both mother and child at risk in that later pregnancy.

According to Dr. Angela Lanfranchi, Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey and an expert on the link between abortion and breast cancer, since 1957 there have been 66 studies conducted which looked at the relation of induced abortion and breast cancer, including 53 which showed a positive correlation and 25 that were statistically significant. There were only 13 which showed no association.

It’s hard to believe that the very feminists who are supposed to be championing women’s rights are the same people responsible for obfuscating these life-or-death facts behind the mantra of “women’s health.”

If this is truly a war on women, then someone needs to be held accountable for a cover-up that has cost so many women their health and even their lives. These crimes against humanity should not go unpunished!

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For months now, women have been bombarded with ominous news of a new “war on women” which is allegedly being waged by anyone who is against tax-payer funding, or the forced provision, of abortion, contraception and sterilization procedures. Lawmakers and “reproductive rights” activists such as Sandra Fluke use wildly sweeping statements such as “they’re trying to deny women the healthcare they need” or “they’re trying to force women back into the dark ages” as a way of scaring women into the voting booth. We all know that women’s health care has to do with much more than just abortion and birth control and to suggest that any lawmaker in the U.S. would deliberately deny women the medical care they need is not only false, but intellectually dishonest as well.

But the true irony in this so-called “war on women” is the fact that many of the services they want tax-payers to cover are actually the cause of many of the health issues women suffer from today.

Let’s consider a few facts about the health risks associated with the use of artificial birth control:

- The estrogen-progesterone combination contained in the pill and hormone replacement therapies was declared a Class 1 carcinogen by the World Health Organization in 2005. All Class 1 carcinogens have been found to cause cancer in both lab and human studies. This means the ingredients in the pill are now listed in the same category as arsenic, asbestos, radium and tobacco smoke. Remember, hormone replacement therapy, which contains lower doses of the same ingredients as the pill, is now rarely prescribed because of the dangers - but the pill remains in widespread use.

- Lest you think the number of serious illnesses resulting from birth control use is small, consider the 12,000 lawsuits currently pending against Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, Inc., the manufacturer of the trendy new Yasmin and Yaz pills. These pills, which contain the new “fourth generation” progestin known as drospirenone, have been linked to blood clots, gall bladder disease, stroke, heart attack and death in young women. (Source: Lawyers and Settlements.com)

Note: If you’re wondering why we don’t hear about these cases, consider the fact that in 2008, Yaz accounted for 17.7% of the birth control market with sales of $616 million and Yasmin had 11% of the market with $382 million in sales. (Source: AboutLawsuits.com)

- Proponents like to point out that even though the pill is a carcinogen, it has been found to offer protection for certain types of cancers, such as ovarian and uterine. This is true, but the pill is also known to cause cancers, such as breast, cervical and liver cancers. (Source: American Cancer Society; Burkman R, Schlesselman JJ, Zierman M. Safety concerns and health benefits associated with oral contraception. American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology 2004; 190(4 Suppl):S5–22.)

- The British Medical Journal revealed that the pill also increases a woman’s risk of developing cerebrovascular disease (hypertension and stroke) by 1.9 times. A 25 year follow-up study with 46,000 British women also noted that the enhanced risk of death lasts for 10 years after women have stopped taking the pill. At particular risk are women who are overweight, sedentary, frequently take long plane flights, injure a leg, have had recent surgery, smoke, have a family history of blood clots, have high blood pressure (over 160/100mg) or suffer from migraines - a list that probably includes 80% of the adult female population of the U.S.

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- Forms of artificial contraception that deliver hormones by means other than in pill form have also been found to be dangerous, such as the Ortho-Evra patch, which delivers hormones through the skin by use of a patch. Johnson & Johnson and its subsidiary Ortho McNeil, manufacturer of the Ortho Evra Patch, has thus far paid $68.7 million to settle more than 4,000 state and federal lawsuits brought about by women who have suffered adverse side effects, from blood clots to heart attack and stroke. Ortho Evra has also been blamed for 20 deaths. (Source: Lawyers and Settlements.com)

- If the war on women succeeds, the morning-after-pill, or Plan B, will also be provided free-of-charge to women. Plan B contains the same hormones that are found in normal oral contraceptives, but the dosage is 10 times higher. One dose of Plan B is the equivalent to the amount of progestin contained in an entire month’s worth of some of today’s low dose birth control pills (ie, 1.925 mg). (Source: The Polycarp Research Institute)

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- Despite repeated claims by the abortion industry that abortion is safer than childbirth, unbiased studies reveal just the opposite. A new study of all women of reproductive age in Denmark over a 25 year period has found that a single induced abortion increases the risk of maternal death by 45 percent compared to women with no history of abortion. In addition, each additional abortion is associated with an even higher death rate. Women who had two abortions were 114 percent more likely to die during the period examined, and women who had three or more abortions had a 192 percent increased risk of death. (Source: Coleman, Priscilla K.; Reardon, David C.; Calhoun, Byron C. Reproductive history pat-