

WTF ARE FAKE HEALTH CENTERS?

The Big Picture

- ★ **Young people deserve medically accurate information and timely healthcare, not deception, coercion, and shame from fake health centers.** Young people seeking reproductive care, including abortion, should be treated with dignity and respect.
- ★ Fake health centers deceive people into thinking they are getting comprehensive healthcare, including abortion services. In reality, these centers only give biased and medically inaccurate information to coerce, judge, and shame young people seeking abortion services.

The Fine Print

I've been hearing a lot about fake health centers. Why are they bad?

- ★ Fake health centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers, make people think they are comprehensive healthcare providers through things like deceptive advertising and misleading information. They even go as far as to move in *next door* to actual repro clinics!
- ★ These fake health centers specifically target low-income people of color and hurt the health and well-being of these folks by causing a delay in reproductive healthcare services.
- ★ You might be hearing more about fake health centers lately because in March 2018 the U.S. Supreme Court heard a case (*NIFLA v. Becerra*) about whether fake health centers have the right to deceive people. The decision is expected by June 2018.

Alright that all sounds not great. What can I do?

You can do SO MANY THINGS to help! Here are some options:

- ★ Share your story with us about how fake health centers have negatively affected you.
- ★ Write negative reviews online about fake health centers in your area, and expose the truth about their deceptive practices. You can also click and like accurate reviews! Check out <http://www.exposefakeclinics.com> for more info.
- ★ Hold protests in front of fake health centers with signs about how they harm you and other young folks. If the fake clinic is next to a real repro clinic, you'll want to give the real clinic a heads up first!

More questions? Talk to your policy nerds!

- ★ We love hearing from you! Contact URGE Policy Director Alexis Cole at acole@urge.org with more questions about fake health centers and what you can do to help.