



## Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin

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### **Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin Announces Faith Caucus**

**Madison, Wis.** - Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin is teaming up with faith leaders in Wisconsin to create a faith caucus to represent a legacy of religious leaders who advocate for equitable, accessible and legal reproductive health care. This faith caucus seeks more clergy to join their organization to strengthen the communities around Wisconsin.

In their sign-on letter for clergy the faith caucus says: “We are faith leaders of various traditions and congregations across the state who pray and work together to ensure reproductive health care is accessible, safe, affordable, and confidential for every person. We carry on a legacy of clergy and faithful individuals committed to each person deciding what is best for their health and family, without restriction. It is because of our faith values that we support the affordable, quality, non-judgmental health care provided by Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin.”

Topics such as pregnancy, abortion and other themes of reproductive health care can be tenuous and conflict with individual beliefs. The caucus was created, in part, to help Wisconsinites of faith feel supported in their deeply personal decisions. Aligning clerical advocates within the state is another way Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin can serve communities.

#### **A statement from caucus member Rabbi Bonnie Margulis:**

“As chair of the Wisconsin Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, and as a rabbi, I am a proud supporter of Planned Parenthood and a vocal advocate for reproductive justice. It is a matter of gender equality for women to have control over their own bodies and to be able to decide when and whether to become a parent. It is a matter of racial equality for all women to have access to the full range of health care, including reproductive health care. And it is a matter of religious freedom to honor the diversity of faith teachings on reproductive health decisions.”

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