**Fact Sheet: Key Terms**

**Affiliate** - a regional franchise of Planned Parenthood clinics, organized as its own corporation

**Calvarium** - clinical abortion term for the head of the fetus

**CAPS** - Planned Parenthood Consortium of Abortion Providers, oversees PP affiliate abortion practice

**Case** - clinical term for a single abortion patient/procedure

**D&E** - Dilation and Evacuation, an abortion method where the cervix is dilated and the fetus is extracted with forceps and typically dismembered in the process

**Digoxin** - A chemical used to kill the fetus prior to an abortion

**Feticide** - Any chemical used to induce fetal demise before an abortion

**Induction** - 2nd trimester abortion method where the fetus is expelled through induced labor

**IPAS** - Manual Vacuum Aspirator used for 1st trimester suction abortions, named after manufacturer

**LAMS** - Laminaria are thin sticks of seaweed used to mechanically dilate the cervix before an abortion

**Misoprostol** - Synthetic prostaglandin used off label for cervical dilation in abortion procedures

**NAF** - National Abortion Federation, the largest trade group of abortion providers with extensive Planned Parenthood crossover

**Partial-Birth Abortion** - An illegal abortion method where the fetus is converted to breech position and extracted alive, also called intact dilation and extraction (IDX)

**Path Lab** - Pathological Laboratory in the back of an abortion clinic, where fetuses are processed after the abortion.

**P.O.C.** - Product of Conception, what abortion clinics call the fetus

**PPFA** - Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the largest abortion provider in the U.S.

**Procurement** - The acquisition of organs and tissues from aborted fetuses

**Specimen** - An individual organ or tissue sample, like a liver or a brain, procured from an aborted fetus

**Technician** - Worker who dissects fetuses after an abortion to procure specimens

**Volume** - The number of abortion cases a provider handles at any given time