



# THE RECORD ON LIFE

## Vice President Kamala Harris 2021-present

Prior to serving as Vice President to President Joe Biden, Kamala Harris held a U.S. Senate seat from California from 2017-2021. In her four years in the Senate, Kamala Harris earned a 0% pro-life rating from National Right to Life.

- **Abortion Funding:** Vice President Harris supports the use of taxpayer dollars to fund abortions. While serving in the Senate, Harris voted against the “No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act,” which would establish a permanent, government-wide prohibition on federal subsidies for abortion and for health plans that cover abortion with narrow exceptions.
- **Unlimited Abortion Until Birth:** Vice President Harris supports the “Women’s Health Protection Act,” a bill that would enshrine unlimited abortion until birth in federal law and do away with virtually all existing protections for unborn children and their mothers on both the federal and state levels, including parental involvement laws.
- **Chemical Abortions:** Under President Biden and Vice President Harris, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) suspended safeguards established for women undergoing chemical abortions, such as seeing the abortionist in person. The in-person requirement helped to prevent complications resulting from an ectopic pregnancy, which can be fatal and can only be diagnosed with an in-person evaluation. The FDA also now permits pharmacists to dispense abortion drugs, and it even allows abortion drugs to be sent by mail.
- **Funding Abortion Providers:** In 2021, the Biden-Harris Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) overturned the Trump-era “Protect Life Rule” on Title X family-planning funding. Today, the Biden-Harris rule allows millions of dollars to flow to facilities that perform or refer for abortions including Planned Parenthood, the nation’s largest abortion provider.
- **Abortion Funding in the Military:** Under President Biden and Vice President Harris, the Department of Veterans Affairs has begun to pay for and provide abortions for “health reasons,” defined broadly as to be for any reason. In addition, the Department of Defense has begun to reimburse military members and their dependents for transportation costs incurred in traveling to obtain elective abortions.
- **The Judiciary:** If she were to become president, Harris has pledged to nominate only judges who support a “right to abortion.” While serving in the Senate, Harris voted against confirmation of Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court. These nominations were backed by pro-life groups. In 2022, Harris supported President Biden’s nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson to serve on the Supreme Court. Jackson’s nomination was supported by the nation’s top pro-abortion groups.
- **Born-Alive Abortion Survivors:** While serving in the Senate, Harris voted against the “Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act,” which would ensure that an infant born alive during an attempted abortion is afforded the same degree of medical care as any other newborn of the same gestational age.
- **Late Abortions:** As a Senator, Harris voted against the “Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act,” which would have protected unborn babies 20 weeks and older from late abortions on account of their ability to experience pain.
- **Abortion-Expanding Mandates:** In an effort to override protective pro-life state laws, the Biden-Harris Administration issued guidance in July 2023 asserting that EMTALA requires access to unlimited abortion. The federal EMTALA law regulating emergency rooms exists to protect patients, not create a right to unlimited abortion. In 2022, the “Pregnant Workers Fairness Act,” meant to protect pregnant women in the workplace, became law. However, in 2024, the Biden-Harris Administration finalized a rule establishing a nationwide requirement that employers with 15 or more employees provide leave to obtain elective abortions under the new law. Litigation is ongoing.
- **Endorsements:** Throughout her political career, Harris has received endorsements and campaign donations from groups that promote unlimited abortion, including Planned Parenthood Action Fund, EMILY’s List, and Reproductive Freedom for All (formerly NARAL).