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An explosive article from the [Washington Free Beacon](#) reports on health and safety violations between 2011-2017 by abortion chain, Whole Woman's Health, at their Texas facilities. Whole Woman's Health is the abortion chain that recently applied to open an abortion business in South Bend, Ind. Indiana Right to Life, along with its affiliate, St. Joseph County Right to Life, is leading the effort to keep Whole Woman's Health from opening in South Bend. - Mike Fichter, President and CEO of Indiana Right to Life

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Texas Abortion Clinics Marred with Health, Safety Issues, Inspection Reveals

New reports throw light on poor standards in facilities that fought regulation at SCOTUS

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New detailed inspection reports reveal dozens of violations of health and safety standards by Whole Woman's Health (WWH), a chain of abortion clinics that [says](#) it is "committed to changing the culture around abortion stigma." The new documents, inspection reports between 2011 and 2017 from the Texas Department of State Health Services, were obtained by And Then There Were None (ATTWN), a [nonprofit group](#) that "exists to help abortion clinic workers leave the abortion industry."

The documents show a widespread problem of health violations at WWH clinics. Staff failed to properly disinfect and sterilize equipment used on multiple women, and were not properly trained in the sterilization of surgical instruments. In 2011, the Beaumont, Texas, clinic did not have a registered nurse on staff, in contravention of legal requirements.

The inspector's reports also expressed concerns about maintenance of medical equipment. "There was [sic] numerous rusty spots on the suction machine used on the patient for evacuation of the products of conception," the Beaumont report notes. In multiple cases, supplies and medication were found to be clearly expired.

Facilities themselves were also in disrepair, with floors that were "stained and discolored which gives the appearance of being dirty." A 2016 report on the McAllen, Texas, facility notes a counter so warped it "was no longer a wipeable surface, which could harbor bacteria and infectious matter." The reports also show cracks, rips, and tears on exam tables' covers, and a hole in cabinet flooring that had "the likelihood to allow rodents to enter the facility."

In the most recent report, investigating the Austin facility, investigators found missing stock of fentanyl, the schedule narcotic [linked to](#) thousands of overdose deaths.

These reports are part of broader concerns about the safety standards of abortion clinics. According to [a report](#) from the pro-life advocacy group Americans United for Life, between 2008 and 2016, 227 abortion clinics, [including six](#) Whole Woman's Health clinics, were cited for over 1,400 health and safety deficiencies. These included failures to ensure a "safe and sanitary environment" and failures to properly handle patients' private information...

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