

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Safeguard Reproductive Rights

Women fought hard for the right to safe, legal reproductive health services and the right to determine whether and when to have children. CLUW has long stood up for women's right to reproductive choice.

Women need reproductive health care for several decades of their lives. The ability to have a healthy pregnancy, birth control, abortion, infertility care and preventive health care services such as mammograms, pap tests and HPV screenings are necessary.

Anti-choice forces continue to whittle down or eliminate women's access to reproductive health care. Also, women's health services are often the first to be cut in cost cutting moves by employers and others.

Women's health services have been greatly threatened by violent acts including the killing of health care providers. Dr. George Tiller was shot in both arms in 1993 and murdered while he was at church in 2009. Judges have also been threatened with violence by those opposed to their decisions.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

CLUW renews its commitment to ensure that women have safe, legal, accessible health services including preventive care and all reproductive health services;

CLUW will work with other organizations to ensure that health care for women is inclusive of all women's health needs and does not require greater out-of-pocket costs than that of men;

CLUW will continue to oppose anti-choice forces that strive to whittle down or eliminate women's access to reproductive health care;

CLUW will urge members and chapters to denounce violence against women's health care providers as outrageous and intolerable acts and demand safety at clinics where women's health care is provided.