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2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE**

The NARAL Pro-Choice Maryland Political Action Committee (PAC) was created for the purpose of electing pro-choice candidates to public office. The PAC provides campaign support, endorsements and contributions to qualified candidates. Results of this questionnaire will be used in our candidate endorsement process and analyzed for the production of our statewide voters' guide.

To be considered for support, please send this completed questionnaire to our offices via mail to 8121 Georgia Avenue, Suite 501, Silver Spring, MD 20910, via e-mail to PAC@mdnarl.org or via fax to 301-588-5790.

Candidate Name: Vanessa Atterbeary

Office Sought: Maryland House of Delegates

District Number: 18

County: Montgomery

Political Party: Democrat

Candidate Cell Phone: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

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1. Do you support a woman's constitutional right to choose safe, legal abortion?
 Yes
 No
2. Do you support current abortion law which codified *Roe v. Wade* in Maryland and won approval of 62 percent of Maryland voters when brought to referendum (*Question 6*) in 1992?
 Yes
 No
3. Will you support current law (Interference with Access to Medical Facility Law) which prohibits a person from preventing another person from entering or exiting a medical facility?
 Yes
 No
4. Do you support the current law that mandates the inclusion of contraceptive coverage in health insurance plans?
 Yes
 No
5. Will you oppose any efforts, such as pharmacist refusal, that will limit access to birth control and other forms of contraception?
 Yes
 No
6. Will you support comprehensive sex education that includes medically accurate and age-appropriate instructional materials that educate students on the proper use of contraceptive methods to prevent unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections?
 Yes
 No
7. Will you support school-based clinics providing contraceptive counseling and services for teens?
 Yes
 No
8. Do you support measures to reduce unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including but not limited to, adequate funding of state family planning services and increasing access to services for low-income women and families such as through expanding the Medicaid Family Planning Program?
 Yes
 No
9. Do you believe that women deserve to know the extent and limitations of the services provided by limited service pregnancy centers (also known as crisis pregnancy centers) and would you support legislation protecting women from deceptive and harmful tactics of these centers?
 Yes
 No



10. Do you support access to emergency contraception (EC, Plan B) and would you support measures to expand that access?

- Yes
 No

11. In recent years, state legislatures have considered medically unjustified counseling provisions such as mandating the option to view an ultrasound, requiring the provision of information about depression after abortion and the relationship of breast cancer to abortion (even though there is no consensus in the medical community on either of these issues), etc. Would you oppose legislation such as this that interferes with the doctor-patient relationship?

- Yes
 No

12. In the wake of passage of federal health reform, some states have taken steps to limit coverage of abortion in future health insurance exchanges. Would you oppose efforts to restrict insurance coverage of abortion in Maryland?

- Yes
 No

The following questions allow you to provide more comprehensive examples of your work with to advance and protect women's reproductive freedom.

12. Do your voting record and/or public statements reflect the positions taken above? Please provide examples.
N/A

- Yes
 No

Example(s):



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13. Please list examples where you have shown leadership on pro-choice issues. A pro-choice leader is someone who shows leadership and initiative to advance the reproductive health of women and girls. For candidates who have previously held elected office, please include examples such as co-sponsoring pro-choice legislation, fighting anti-choice legislation, lobbying others to take pro-choice positions for votes on legislation, etc. For other candidates, please include examples such as testifying in support of pro-choice legislation or against anti-choice legislation, volunteer activities that show a commitment to pro-choice values, published opinion pieces or blogs on reproductive choice issues, etc.

Example (s):

I believe strongly in a woman's right to choose, medically accurate and age appropriate sex education, accessible contraception and accessible emergency contraception. I currently serve on the Board of the Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women, an organization that subscribes to the guiding principle of "equal access to quality health care and reproductive services" for Maryland women.

By Authority Emily Luedtke, Treasurer