



## American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update

### Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in

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**News from Around PA**

The case ***Allegheny Reproductive Health Center v. Pennsylvania Department of Human Services*** is now in the Commonwealth Court. Governor Josh Shapiro has issued a statement that says his administration “will not defend the current state law banning Medicaid coverage for abortion services.” Additionally, Attorney General candidate Eugene DePasquale’s website makes his position clear: “I believe women should have complete control over the decisions they want to make with their bodies.”

State Rep Milou Mackenzie (R-Northampton) is circulating a co-sponsorship memo to **“eliminate Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) funding at Pennsylvania publicly funded colleges and universities.”**

In response to the attempted assassination of President Trump, Democrat **US Rep. Brendan Boyle (PA-2)** called on Secret Service Director Kimberly Cheatle to resign.

**Jess Branas, a council member in Upper Darby Township** and district staffer for state Rep. Heather Boyd, D-Delaware, publicly posted “A for effort” to her private Facebook account a little more than one hour after the shooting. The post remains online. Branas said the comment had nothing to do with the assassination attempt, but rather her cooking skills. However, Rep. Boyd posted on X, ““Violence has no place in politics. Earlier today a social media post made by a former member of my staff was brought to my attention. This matter has been dealt with swiftly”.

**Temple University Hospital** is spreading its “gender-affirming care” abroad. Recently Dr. Alireza Hamidian Jahromi, MD, director of their gender affirmation surgery program and Dr. Michael Metro, MD, director of reconstructive urology traveled to Argentina to jointly perform the first-ever penile inversion vaginoplasty in that country.

**From National Scene**  
**John Deere** drops DEI policies, pledging to “solely focus on sponsorships supporting the business and

brand,” as well as aligning their non-profit sponsorships to center on what the company believes are priority areas i.e. “hunger, economic development, the sciences, support of servicemembers and veterans, and agricultural education. “We will no longer participate in or support external social or cultural awareness parades, festivals, or events.” John Deere follows Tractor Supply Company to no longer sponsor pride parades, etc.

**Oklahoma Superintendent of Education** Ryan Walters is taking steps to revoke the teaching certificate of a school instructor who praised the assassination attempt against Donald Trump.

A federal appeals court upheld **Tennessee’s law** requiring birth certificates to record biological sex, not **“gender identity.”**

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