



talking sense about sex

FPA definition of pro-choice

Pro-choice means

To be pro-choice means respecting that an individual has her or his own value and belief system and that this will guide the choices which that individual makes.

Pro-choice in terms of sexual health means

In terms of sexual health, pro-choice means giving individuals the opportunity to make their own choices about sexuality, relationships, contraceptive use and reproduction including abortion.

Being pro-choice means that we respect the right of the individual woman to make an informed choice if they are faced with an unplanned pregnancy. We believe that these choices include the choice to continue with the pregnancy and keep the child, the choice of continuing with the pregnancy followed by adoption and the choice to access free, legal, confidential, safe abortion.

Pro-choice advocates are pro-woman, pro-child and pro-family.

Pro-choice in terms of abortion

Being pro-choice means that someone can be personally opposed to abortion, or feel uncomfortable with it, but would not impose her or his moral, personal or religious views onto women; for example, by trying to get women to change their minds, seeking laws that reduce or restrict women's access to abortions or judging women for their decisions.

Indeed it is possible to be personally opposed to abortion but to support family members and friends who, for their own considered reasons, have chosen to have an abortion.