



Crisis Pregnancy Agency - Code of Ethics

The purpose of this Code of Ethics is to articulate the principles that guide the Crisis Pregnancy Agency's decision-making in light of its responsibilities towards its diverse constituencies. These principles will guide the decisions that are made regarding the development, funding and support of projects and the Crisis Pregnancy Agency's research (including the research it funds). The principles will form part of the frame of reference when proposals for funding are being assessed.

In its approach to its work, and in supporting the work of others, the Agency will:

1. Be respectful of and non-judgmental regarding the choices made by women who face crisis pregnancy.
2. Be respectful of a woman's autonomy and her right to privacy (within the constraints of the law).
3. Be guided by reliable research and good practice in all areas of our work.
4. Endeavour to work collaboratively with agencies working in the field.
5. Strive to promote policies that are respectful of the diverse experiences and viewpoints that exist on this issue.
6. Be supportive of agencies which
 - use professional approaches to counsel, educate and provide information to the public
 - fully inform clients of their organisation's ethos
 - promote informed decision-making in resolving issues regarding crisis pregnancy and related sexual health matters
 - use reliable research and responsible monitoring and evaluation methods to ensure accountability and good practice
 - work to promote equity of access and quality for clients
 - provide appropriate referrals when the information or service requested by the client is not available.