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Facebook 'Fact-Checkers' are WRONG



Education: On August 30, 2019, Facebook notified Live Action that two videos affirming the reality that "abortion is never medically necessary" were marked as FALSE. As a result Facebook informed Live Action that its pages would be penalized with "reduced distribution and other restrictions because of repeated sharing of false news." (1) What is the truth? Are abortions ever medically necessary? Live Action says no, and 2,500 Ob/Gyns agree – it is never medically necessary to deliberately kill a preborn child in order to save the life of the mother. It may be necessary to deliver the baby, and the baby may not be able to survive, but a pre-term delivery is NOT an abortion. (1) So why do Facebook's 'fact-checkers' disagree? Probably because they have a vested interest in discrediting a pro-life organization like Live Action. The two reviewers, Robyn Schickler and Daniel Grossman, are both abortionists and both active in advocating for abortion. (2) Facebook refers to an "independent fact-checker" which seems to imply impartiality. While the reviewers may not be connected to Facebook, they are certainly a part of the abortion industry.

And how do they reason that abortion is necessary in some cases? They agree that if the baby is viable, the doctor would usually proceed with an expedited delivery. But they argue that "if the pregnant woman develops a serious condition at 20 weeks, such as ... heavy bleeding from a placenta previa, it is critical to terminate the pregnancy quickly to save her life. ... an abortion would be the fastest and safest way to terminate the pregnancy." Placenta previa means that the placenta is blocking the cervix. **Fact 1:** Introducing instruments through the cervix for an abortion would only make the bleeding much worse. A C-section delivery would be the best and safest procedure. **Fact 2:** Hemorrhage from placenta previa prior to viability is so rare that no incidents have been recorded. (1) Whatever the cause of the mother's distress, separating the child from the mother can be done without deliberately killing the child in an abortion. Laws against abortion would not affect the ability of doctors to properly care for pregnant women.

1. <https://liveaction.org/news/facebook-live-action-false-abortionist-fact-check/>
2. <https://liveaction.org/news/meet-facebook-fact-checker-abortionists-live-action/>



Prayer: Dear Father God, please have mercy on women who experience dangerous conditions during pregnancy. Help everyone to understand the doctors can do the best they can for both mother and child without ever deliberately killing the child. Help medical technology continue to progress to allow younger and younger children to survive. Help the public to understand that banning abortion would not in any way threaten the health of pregnant women.



Action: Sign the [petition to Facebook](#) to stop marking verifiable medical facts as "false news" and punishing LiveAction for telling the truth that the abortion industry wants to suppress. The next time someone says that abortions are sometimes medically necessary, explain that that is not true. Whether the problem is a tubal pregnancy, pre-eclampsia, or any other problem, it is always possible to remove the child from the mother without deliberately killing the child, which is what an abortion does.