



Xavier Becerra

Anti-Life, Anti-Family, Anti-Faith Extremist

President Biden's nominee for U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) secretary, Xavier Becerra, will not be a catalyst for the unity Biden spoke so glowingly about in his inaugural address. During his 24 years in the U.S. House of Representatives and his four years as attorney general of California, Becerra has repeatedly sided with the most radical wing of the Democratic Party, fighting for abortion on demand and the LGBT agenda at every opportunity. Becerra also has [no experience](#) in public health, which implies that Biden's decision to pick him is a purely political move intended to please his increasingly far-left base.

Pro-abortion groups—including [Planned Parenthood](#), [NARAL](#), and the [Population Connection Action Fund](#) (formerly Zero Population Growth)—have praised Biden's pick for HHS secretary. Furthermore, Planned Parenthood and NARAL have each given Becerra a [100 percent approval rating](#). It is easy to see why: Becerra is about as pro-abortion as it gets.

Becerra Supports Late-Term Abortions and Infanticide

- In [2003](#), Becerra voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act, which prohibited the gruesome practice of partial-birth abortion.
- In both [2013](#) and [2015](#), Becerra voted against legislation that would ban abortion after five months, the gestational age at which an unborn child is capable of feeling pain.

- In [2015](#), Becerra voted against the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, which would require health care practitioners to treat babies born alive after failed abortion attempts with the same care they would treat any other baby born at the same gestational age.

Becerra Wants Taxpayer-Funded Abortions

- In [1993](#), Becerra voted against the Hyde Amendment, which ensures that federal tax dollars cannot be used to pay for abortions. Hyde has historically enjoyed bipartisan support and has been included in every federal spending bill since 1976.
- During his tenure in the U.S. House of Representatives, Becerra voted against the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act three times—in [2011](#), [2014](#), and [2015](#).
- As California’s attorney general, Becerra [sued](#) the Trump administration over pro-life changes to the Title X Family Planning program. When this rule went into effect, Planned Parenthood and several pro-abortion states refused to separate their family planning services from their abortion activities. They instead chose to withdraw from the Title X program, prioritizing abortion procedures and referrals over providing affordable family planning services to women in need.

Becerra Forced Pro-Life Americans to Violate Their Consciences

- As California’s attorney general, Becerra [sued](#) the federal government in defense of California’s regulation requiring churches to pay for abortion coverage in their health care plans.
- Becerra defended a California law requiring pro-life pregnancy care centers to provide information to their patients on how to obtain state-funded abortions. This law would have forced pro-life medical professionals and volunteers to promote abortion, in violation of their First Amendment rights. The case, [NIFLA v. Becerra](#), went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, which [struck it down](#) in 2018.

- In 2019, Becerra [sued](#) the Little Sisters of the Poor, insisting that the nuns should be forced to pay for abortifacients and contraception, in direct violation of their Catholic faith.

Becerra Promotes Using Baby Body Parts in Federally-Funded Experiments

- In 2006 and 2007, Becerra voted [for](#) taxpayer funding of human embryonic stem cell experimentation and [against](#) redirecting said money to more ethical lines of research.
- Becerra falsely claimed that baby body parts are necessary to “accelerate vaccine development” and [opposed](#) attempts to identify alternatives to aborted fetal tissue in research. He also led 15 other Democratic attorneys general in a [letter](#) on this topic in 2020, using the COVID-19 pandemic as an excuse to exploit the body parts of unborn children.
- In 2015, journalist David Daleiden exposed Planned Parenthood for buying and selling baby body parts. Rather than pursue Planned Parenthood, Becerra investigated Daleiden, ultimately charging the journalist with 15 felonies for secretly recording the conversations between Planned Parenthood executives.

Becerra Advocates for a Radical Sexuality Ideology

- Becerra’s record proves his radical positions on issues related to marriage, gender, and sexuality. He voted against the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), which guaranteed states the right to define marriage as they saw fit until President Obama and his congressional allies overturned it in 2013. Prior to being overturned, DOMA had been a safeguard for religious freedom for over two decades.
- One of Becerra’s first acts as California’s attorney general was to sue one California county for its bathroom policy that provides students who identify as transgender with their own restrooms, insisting that these students should be able to use the men’s and women’s rooms of their choice.

- In 2017, [Becerra](#) “filed a motion for the state of California to intervene in *Stockman v. Trump*,” which aimed at “challenging Trump’s ban on transgender individuals serving in the military.”

Xavier Becerra Has No Place in Biden’s Cabinet

Americans of all stripes should oppose Becerra’s nomination, and senators in Congress should vote against his confirmation. Amid the current COVID-19 pandemic, America needs a strong HHS secretary with extensive public health experience. Furthermore, America needs someone who is willing to work with the other side, not a hyper-partisan political actor who clearly prioritizes his left-wing social agenda above all else.