## **ARTIFICIAL CONTRACEPTION POLICY STATEMENT**

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The issue of artificial contraception is of great concern to pro-life people. Right to Life - LIFESPAN shares those concerns. Those using artificial means of contraception should be aware that some contraceptives are abortifacients. An abortifacient can be defined as anything that interferes with the ability of the newly conceived embryo to implant on the wall of the uterus. If the embryo cannot implant, he or she will die.

Each contraceptive has a particular action that makes it effective. Fully understanding this action (or actions) will assure the user of any possible abortive properties.

Right to Life - LIFESPAN urges those considering artificial means of contraception to be fully informed as to the actions of that contraceptive and to reject those medications and devices that prohibit the newly conceived baby from implanting on the uterine wall, being nurtured there for the nine months of pregnancy and being born into the world.

