



SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2005

More Pharmacists Insisting THEY Will Decide What Medicine You Can Buy

by Michael in New York on [6/12/2005 01:15:00 PM](#)

This is going to get worse and worse.

An Illinois pharmacist is suing because he doesn't want to have to fill prescriptions provided by a doctor that he disapproves of. In short: no birth control and no emergency contraceptives. (At least, to start with.) It offends his religious sensibilities. He owns pharmacies in two towns and it's exactly what you'd fear: Morrison, Illinois has about 4,500 people and Prophetstown (love the name) has about 2000. So he may be close to the ONLY game in town when it comes to getting a legal prescription filled.

It offends his religious sensibilities, of course. The ruckus here is mostly over the morning-after pill -- I needn't point out that the morning after pill can PREVENT pregnancy, meaning this pharmacist would be forcing a woman who got raped to get pregnant and therefore increasing abortions. Lovely.

And why stop there. Doesn't it offend his religious sensibilities to sell condoms to adults who aren't married? What about adults who are married but are of different races? We KNOW it would offend his sensibilities to sell condoms to a gay couple.

Sorry, but if you want to be a pharmacist, you can't deny medicine to people because you don't approve of them or the medicine they're buying, any more than a real estate agent can refuse to sell a home to black people or atheists. No one is trying to tell this fool how to behave in his own personal life. Why is he trying to make his own morality the law of the land?



DISQUS COMMENTS

Add New Comment

JOHN'S PHOTOS



HOT OFF THE WIRE

Daily Kos
Open Thread and Diary Rescue - *Today, srkp23 (pulling a double shift), ybruti, taylormattd, ItsJessMe and vcmvo2 combed through hundreds of diaries to find this powerful list. Today's...
16 minutes ago

Eschaton
Overnight - Folk On. Newish.
33 minutes ago

HuffPost Politics
Michael Likosky: Ed Rendell: Hardest Working Man in Infrastructure - At this year's National Governors Association (NGA) meeting, Governor Ed Rendell's tenure as Chair fittingly came to a close with a plenary session on infras...
35 minutes ago

Crooks and Liars
Open Thread - Open Thread below...
1 hour ago

Firedoglake
Late Night: Livin' the Dolce Vita with The Lovernator - Who's got time to govern? Certainly not Mark Sanford.
1 hour ago

Show All


AMERICABLOG TV



Next 6

Despite insurance premiums doubling over the past decade, Republicans want to see health care reform fail. For the GOPers, health care is politics. They just



I collect with  vodpod Visit our see all 322 videos > AMERICAblog TV site.

GAY POLITICS



Visit our new gay politics section, [AMERICAblog Gay](#).

FEEDS

[Blog RSS](#)
[1,423 readers](#)
BY FEEDBURNER
[AMERICAblog TV RSS](#)
[Twitter RSS](#)
[Twitter Feed](#)
[Mobile Version](#)
[Google](#)

Get the blog by email:

Ads by

[Pharmacy Degrees Online](#)

Earn A Pharmacy Degree 100% Online! Flexible Schedules. Financial Aid. [PharmacyPracticeDegrees.com](#)

[ScriptSure](#)

e-Prescribing and EMR software for physicians. Easy to use. Low Cost. [www.dawssystem.com](#)

[Tramadol Prescription](#)

Delivered to your door in 24hrs, Buy Tramadol Online, Low Prices [www.NationMD.com](#)

[Pharmacist Jobs](#)

Exciting Rewards. Join America's largest hospital corp. Apply Now! [www.asuniqueasyouare.com](#)

[Temporary Pharmacist](#)

Staffing Agency for Pharmacists. Quickly Placed, Registered RPh. [www.VelocityRPh.com](#)

Top Ad

[Advertise in this spot.](#)

HEALTH CARE REFORM

The Treatment
Obama Has a Grown-Up Talk With America (Gulp)
45 minutes ago

Ezra Klein
Tab Dump
5 hours ago

Wonk Room
Sen. Byron Dorgan: The 'Trade' In Cap-And-Trade 'Makes No Sense To Me'

SEARCH

AMERICAblog
 Web

Search

SEND US TIPS & COMMENTS

americablog@starpower.net

BLOG ARCHIVE

Blog Archive

SITES WE LIKE

- [Air America Radio](#)
- [Alan Colmes' blog](#)
- [Ari Melber \(The Nation\)](#)
- [Ben Smith](#)
- [BicycleMark's blog & podcast](#)
- [Bilerico](#)
- [BradBlog](#)
- [Bring It On](#)
- [Carrie Fisher](#)
- [Crooks and Liars](#)
- [DailyKos](#)
- [Dan Savage's "Slog"](#)
- [Daou Report](#)
- [Democratic Underground](#)
- [Eschaton](#)
- [Ezra Klein](#)
- [Fire Dog Lake](#)
- [FiveThirtyEight.com](#)
- [Freeway Blogger](#)
- [The Gavel \(Speaker Pelosi's blog\)](#)
- [Good As You](#)
- [Glenn Greenwald](#)
- [Holy Bullies and Headless Monsters](#)
- [Huffington Post](#)
- [Hullabaloo \(Digby\)](#)
- [Jack and Jill Politics](#)
- [Jed Report](#)
- [Jesus' General](#)
- [Kenneth in the 212](#)
- [Margaret and Helen](#)
- [Matthew Gross](#)
- [Media Matters](#)
- [Mike Signorile's "The Gist"](#)
- [Mudflats](#)
- [MyDD](#)
- [Open Left](#)
- [Plum Line](#)
- [Political Punch \(Jake Tapper\)](#)
- [Political Wire](#)
- [Politics 1](#)
- [Pop Surfing](#)
- [Progressive Blog Digest](#)
- [Queers United](#)
- [RawStory](#)
- [Rex Wockner](#)
- [Rude Pundit](#)
- [Smirking Chimp](#)
- [Talk Left](#)
- [Tapped](#)
- [Taylor Marsh](#)
- [Think Progress](#)
- [TowleRoad](#)
- [VetVoice.com](#)
- [Washington Note](#)
- [WayneBesen.com](#)
- [Wonkette](#)
- [Worth Repeating](#)



NEWS LINKS

- [US](#)
- [Washington Post](#)

PLEASE SUPPORT AMERICABLOG

One-time donation

\$

Donate

Recurring monthly donation

\$

Donate

Donations are not tax-deductible.

LABELS

Select a label

LAST 100 VISITORS

Recent Visitors

[Click to Get](#) FEEDJIT

ABOUT AMERICABLOG

Why AMERICAblog?

Because a great nation deserves the truth.

What issues do you cover?

US politics overall with a particular focus on the Obama Administration, the radical right, and civil rights.

Who are you?

John Aravosis
Editor
Washington, DC

Joe Sudbay
Deputy Editor
Washington, DC

Chris Ryan
Associate Editor
Paris, France

Robert Arena
Contributing Editor
Baltimore, Maryland

Jacki Schechner
Contributing Editor
Washington, DC

