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New HHS Website Promotes Life-Affirming Care for Mothers and Children

"The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only legitimate object of good government." - Thomas Jefferson, 1809

On June 24, 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* ruling and returned law-making authority regarding abortion to the people's elected representatives. Four years later, there is much to be done to build a culture of life. Critically important is creating an environment that welcomes new life, provides care and support for mothers and children, and works to affirm and strengthen healthy family life.

To that end, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services launched [Moms.gov](https://www.moms.gov) to deliver "critical tools and support to help parents foster healthy pregnancies, strengthen young families, and create brighter futures for their children" per HHS Secretary Kennedy.

Finally, in the spirit of Thomas Jefferson's words, the federal government is directing resources toward the care and nurturing of new human lives, rather than their destruction.

As the National Catholic Register reports at <https://tinyurl.com/2pdhzyw9> the website directs people to Pregnancy Resource Centers that oppose abortion and provide a range of life-affirming services to mothers, children, and families.

[Moms.gov](https://www.moms.gov) also provides links to Federally Qualified Health Centers that "provide high-quality care, including primary care services, maternal care, and prenatal care" to low-income Americans. While "not ideologically opposed to abortion," the Register notes, most FQHCs do not perform abortions.

As we commemorate the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, [Moms.gov](https://www.moms.gov) is a welcome initiative that honors that document's proclamation of human equality, and of our natural rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness endowed *by our Creator*.

For further discussion of the current status of the pro-life cause, watch this Reading the Signs podcast, where Clare Hinshaw of Young America's Foundation offers insights from her vantage point in the D.C. beltway.

Hear from this dynamic, young pro-life voice: <https://tinyurl.com/yc3me5yc>