HHS BY THE NUMBERS

Protecting Life and Conscience

Issued proposals protecting conscience in the

FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SPACE

and to protect religious freedom in HHS grants

Finalized a rule to strengthen enforcement for **25 health-related federal conscience and religious freedom laws**, treating them the same as other civil rights laws

HHS issued notices of violation of federal conscience statutes to:

the University of Vermont Medical Center, which had forced a nurse to assist in an elective abortion procedure over the nurse's conscience-based objections

the State of California for violating federal law in discriminating against pregnancy resource centers for refusing to post notices referring for abortion

Announced HHS is discontinuing intramural NIH research involving elective abortions and is in the process of convening an **ethics advisory board** to review proposals for NIH-funded extramural research involving fetal tissue from elective abortions

Approved Texas's request to provide Medicaid-funded family planning services to otherwise uninsured women

$258 MILLION

In Title X family planning grants were prevented from supporting the abortion industry

CHANGES TO ACA

► Finalized a requirement that ACA plan issuers bill and send separate invoices for insurance coverage of non-Hyde abortions

► Issued a guidance allowing issuers to continue to cover enrollees who decline to pay such abortion premiums, including for reasons of conscience

► Proposed to require ACA plan issuers offer plans that do not cover non-Hyde abortions

Secretaries Azar and Pompeo issued a joint letter inviting other nations to join a new coalition in defense of the family as a foundational unit of society and in opposition to the attempt to establish an international right to abortion

A total of twenty-four countries signed joint statements at the U.N. General Assembly, World Health Assembly, and/or Nairobi Summit representing more than ONE BILLION people affirming that there is no international right to abortion