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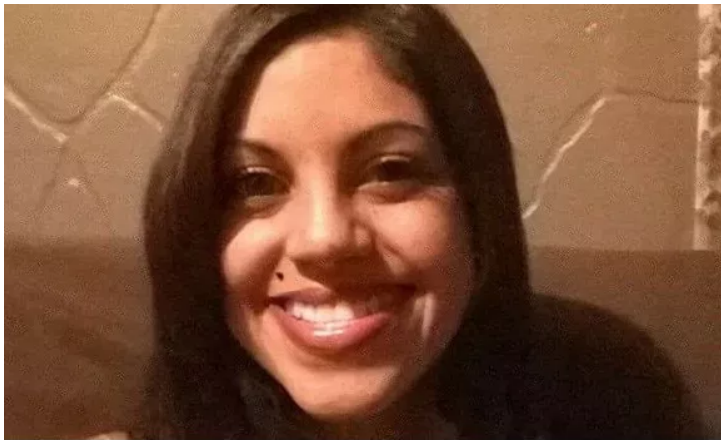
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Curtis Boyd Under Investigation by NM Medical Board in Abortion Patient's Death

March 8, 2018 By Operation Rescue 26 Comments



Keisha Maria Atkins, 23, died on February 4, 2017 -- four days into a late-term abortion process at Southwest Women's Options abortion facility in Albuquerque, NM.

By Cheryl Sullenger

Albuquerque, NM – A complaint filed by pro-life activist Tara Shaver of Abortion Free New Mexico has prompted the New Mexico Board of Medicine to initiate a board complaint in order to further investigate abortionist Curtis Boyd, 80, and his conduct during a late-term abortion complication that left Keisha Atkins, 23, dead on February 7, 2017.

In a [letter](#) from the New Mexico Medical Board dated March 2, 2018, Shaver was notified that a review by the Board's Executive Committee determined that Shaver's allegations warranted "further formal review to determine whether the licensee [Boyd] is in violation of the Medical Practices Act."

Because the NMMB does not accept third-party complaints, the Board notified Shaver that it would initiate a board complaint in order to proceed with their investigation.

This abortion-related death is particularly troubling in light of a criminal investigation that is currently underway by the U.S. Department of Justice into Boyd's Albuquerque late-term abortion business, Southwestern Women's Options (SWO) and the University of New Mexico (UNM). A [U.S. House investigation](#) found that UNM had aggressively worked to increase second and third trimester abortions at SWO, which, in turn, became UNM's largest provider of aborted baby tissue and organs. The House investigative panel issued criminal referrals of SWO and UNM to the DOJ because it found that the SWO/UNM baby parts arrangement violates state and federal law.

Shaver learned of Atkins' death in August 2017. She later obtained Adkin's [autopsy report](#) along with a [CAD printout of a 911 call](#) placed by SWO on February 7, 2017 – the date of

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Adkin's death. In consultation with Operation Rescue, it was found that both documents raised serious questions about the mishandling of Adkin's medical emergency, and suspicions of an attempted cover-up.

"UNM and Boyd's abortion business carry a lot of political power in New Mexico. It's possible that cover up of Atkins' true cause of death was politically initiated to keep the heat off Boyd who was already the target of a Federal investigation," said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue.



Abortionist Curtis Boyd

Atkins was estimated to be in her sixth month of pregnancy or later when she reported to Southwestern Women's Options on January 31, 2017, to begin a four day late-term abortion procedure that was to be done by the elderly Boyd. Four days later, on February 3, 2017, Atkins returned to SWO for the completion of the abortion where she displayed labored breathing and signs of sepsis, a systemic, life-threatening infection.

An ambulance was called to transport Atkins from the abortion facility to UNM Medical Center for emergency treatment, but it was later cancelled. Atkins eventually was transported to UNM Medical Center by unknown means where she died hours later.

The autopsy suspiciously claimed Atkins' pregnancy was the cause of her death, and that her pregnancy resulted in a fatal "pulmonary thromboembolism due to pregnancy."

However, closer inspection of results within the autopsy report revealed that the patient's cause of death was more likely attributable to a septic infection caused by repeated insertion and removal of laminaria dilators, along with the fact that she carried her dead baby for four days after Boyd initiated his or her death in the womb on the first day of the abortion procedure. It is also possible that unsanitary conditions or practices contributed to the development of sepsis.

That infection triggered the fatal onset of a clotting disorder called **Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation (DIC)**, which resulted in internal organ hemorrhaging and pulmonary thromboembolism.

"We commend Tara Shaver and Abortion Free New Mexico for their diligent work in documenting this abortion patient death and the suspicious circumstances that surrounds it. The fact that the very liberal NNMB is pursuing an investigation into Boyd's possible violations of the Medical Practice Act validates Shaver's concerns and ours about his negligent conduct," said Newman. "Keisha Atkins deserves justice and her family deserves closure. We are cautiously hopeful that this new investigation will accomplish both."

[Read the 3/2/2018 NNMB letter to Shaver.](#)

[Read Abortion Free New Mexico's 3/8/2018 press release.](#)

[Read more information about Atkins' death and her autopsy findings.](#)

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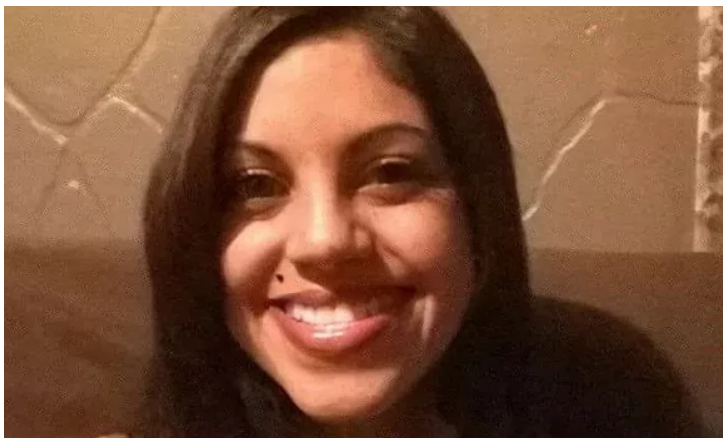
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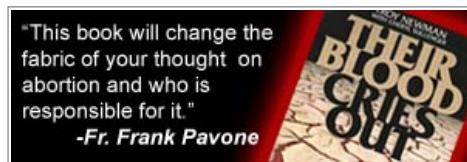
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By Cheryl Sullenger

Albuquerque, NM – Abortion Free New Mexico has announced that it has filed a formal complaint against abortionist Curtis Boyd, 75, with the New Mexico Medical Board seeking a full investigation into the death of Patient K.A. earlier this year.

The facility where she had her fatal abortion, Southwestern Women's Options, is owned and operated by Boyd. As confirmed last week, it is currently the subject of an FBI investigation related to the facility's illegal participation in the sale for "valuable consideration" of aborted baby remains.

K.A. was 23 years old and in her 24th week of pregnancy when she reported to Southwestern Women's Options on January 21, 2017, to begin a 3-4 day Dilation and Evacuation abortion procedure. When she returned on February 3, 2017, she suffered from shortness of breath and falling oxygen saturation levels.

Tara Shaver of Abortion Free New Mexico, who filed the complaint, noted that Boyd's staff called 911 at 12:04 p.m. on February 3 asking for an ambulance to transfer K.A. to UNM Hospital, but the ambulance was later cancelled – a move that likely delayed emergency medical care that might have saved her life.

Somehow, K.A. was eventually taken to UNM Hospital later that day and was pronounced dead at 12:10 a.m. on February 4, 2017.

An autopsy report incompletely concluded that K.A. died from Pulmonary thromboembolism and suspiciously attempted to blame K.A.'s pregnancy on her death. However, that same report stated, "The lining of the uterus, as well as the maternal surface of the placenta showed acute inflammation, consistent with the clinical picture of a septic abortion."

In her complaint, Shaver stated, "It is my belief and that of medical professionals I have consulted with, that not only did Ms. A not receive timely emergency medical care to identify and treat the Pulmonary thromboembolism, but she also had sepsis (from the abortion) which is a known trigger for Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation (DIC) that I believe lead to Ms. A ultimate cause of death being Pulmonary thromboembolism."

Operation Rescue assisted Abortion Free New Mexico with an investigation into K.A.'s death and supports their complaint.

"More could have been done to save this woman's life. The Medical Board must hold Curtis Boyd accountable for the infection and the resulting complications that cost a young woman's life," said Operation Rescue President Troy Newman. "Late-term abortions, especially in outpatient surgical settings, should be outlawed because of the barbaric nature of the procedure that dismembers a baby in the womb and because they just aren't safe for women. Southwestern Women's Options must be closed to prevent further injury and loss of life."

Fr. Stephen Imbarrato of Priests for Life stated, "Are late term abortions really safe, legal and rare? Late term abortion up to the day of birth is legal in New Mexico. We have seen time and time again it is not rare that viable late term babies from around the world are murdered here in New Mexico. We also know abortion is not safe for the mothers of these dead babies. For Ms. A, her late term abortion was fatal. How many other women have died from late term abortions that have been covered up? How many more women must die before the medical community admits that abortions are not safe?"

[Read the Complaint](#)

[Read the Autopsy](#)

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- [Woman DEAD from Abortion at Late-Term Facility Currently Under Criminal Investigation](#)
- [Looking Deeper: Analysis of Facts Proves Woman Died from Abortion — Not Pregnancy](#)

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International Safe Abortion Day Should be International UNSAFE Abortion Day

September 28, 2017 By Operation Rescue 9 Comments



August 19, 2017: A patient of abortionist Donald Clyde Willis is rushed into a hospital emergency room after suffering a medical emergency at FPA Women's Health, a high-volume abortion business in Bakersfield, California.

By Cheryl Sullenger

Today is International Safe Abortion Day, and to commemorate it, the World Health Organization and the Guttmacher Institute, (Planned Parenthood's former "research" arm), published a new [report](#) today that indicates 45.1% of the 55.7 million abortions conducted annually worldwide are unsafe.

Researchers opined that countries with fewer abortion laws had a higher abortion safety rate.

"Today's report about abortion safety is pure supposition based on numbers the so-called 'researchers' admit are unreliable. It is nothing but a propaganda effort to provide fake data for those seeking to do away with true safety laws that actually save lives," said Troy Newman, President of Operation Rescue. "What they propose is dangerous and destructive."

America has seen what it looks like when there is no accountability or weak enforcement of existing health and safety laws.

It looks like Kermit Gosnell.