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Earlier this month, Joyce Arthur and Christian Fiala argued in a piece for *Rewire* that clinicians should not be permitted to claim "conscientious objection" as grounds for refusing to provide abortion or contraception, taking issue with any tolerance of it. Global Doctors for Choice thinks differently on both philosophic and strategic grounds.

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