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## LET'S ALSO WORRY ABOUT FETAL DEATHS

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*Here's what provoked me:*

*My concern is growing about ignorance, and the related lack of concern, about fetal deaths resulting from elective abortions. That's 60,000,000 fetal deaths just since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973. That's about 12 years' worth of pregnancies in the United States. I'm soon going to fit the label of "broken record" as relates to this topic.*

*Here's my response:*

### **Let's Also Worry About Fetal Deaths?**

Co-letter writers on 12/23 bemoan restrictions on the CDC for studying firearm fatality statistics. This comes primarily from the Dickey Amendment which has been consistently reauthorized by Congress. This Amendment prohibits use of CDC funds "to advocate or promote gun control." The writers want the CDC to at least research the problem.

Understandably, these writers despair at the 30,000 plus deaths from firearms each year in the U.S. Of this total, the majority is suicide related and approximately 12,000 are from homicide or accident. Those are tragic statistics.

This leads to my concern about society's selective outrage and lack of proportionate concern. Each year in the U.S. almost 20% of pregnancies are terminated by elective abortion – that's about 900,000 fetal deaths. Since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973, fetal deaths from elective abortions has totaled about 60,000,000 – yes that's 60 million.

The writers refer to gun deaths as an epidemic. I would agree, particularly for that portion of homicides that involve mass/multiple fatalities. But that leads me to ask readers: If that's an epidemic, what term should be used to describe the 60,000,000 fetal deaths? I hope readers don't follow common precedent by using the term, "essential female health-care."