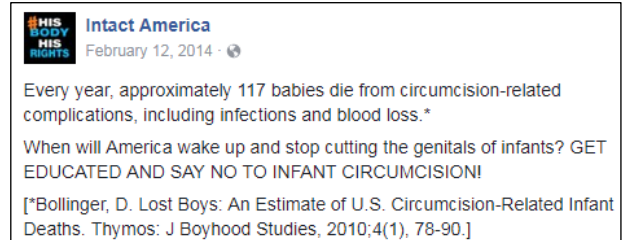
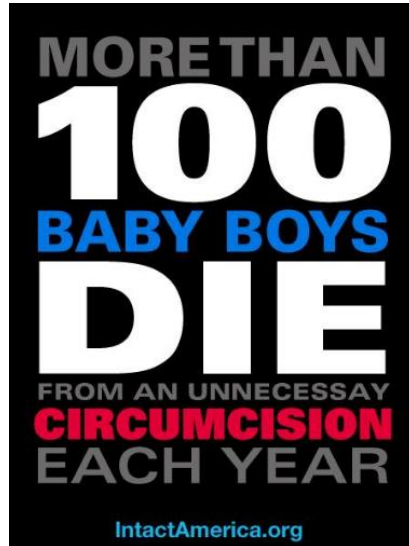


# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

1. Intact America is dishonest and unreliable. The organization has repeatedly issued false and misleading public statements:

That 100 boys in the United States die from circumcision each year.

FALSE  
STATEMENT



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PROOF

“Bollinger is, in effect, assuming that the difference between male and female death rates is due entirely to circumcision. But it is a well-established fact that male babies are more susceptible to deaths than females, and there is no evidence that this is due to circumcision.

Clearly, infant mortality rates are consistently higher among males regardless of circumcision rates. So Bollinger's approach is clearly flawed. When he is trying to estimate the risk due to circumcision he is actually estimating the risk due to being male!”

<http://circumcisionnews.blogspot.com/2010/05/fatally-flawed-bollingers-circumcision.html>


“Other experts on infant mortality put the rate of mortality from circumcision at between 0 and 3 per hundreds of thousands of circumcisions. This is based on a study that showed zero deaths in 100,000 U.S. infant circumcisions, and another study that found a mortality rate of 1 death in 500,000 circumcisions. Given that there are 1.3 million male infant circumcisions in the U.S., **that would put the mortality rate at 0 to 2.5; not 100 to 117.**”

<http://thecircumcisiondecision.com/circumcision-death>

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

**FALSE  
STATEMENT**

That circumcision causes erectile dysfunction.

 **Intact America**  
October 24, 2011 · 🌐

A new study in the International Journal of Men's Health shows that circumcised men have a 4.5 times greater chance of suffering from erectile dysfunction (ED) than intact men, revealing what appears to be a significant acquisition vector. Researchers Dan Bollinger and Robert S. Van Howe, M.D., M.S., FAAP found a strong association between circumcision and ED in their survey of 300 men (OR = 4.53, p=.0058). Full article at:

<https://www.facebook.com/intactamerica/posts/238084702916998>

 **Intact America**  
January 3 · 🌐

It's good news that men suffering from erectile dysfunction might get another treatment option. But prevention is even better. It's time to stop circumcision—a significant contributor to ED.

<https://www.facebook.com/intactamerica/posts/10154947251181388>

**PROOF**

Co-author and Intact America's own Dan Bollinger cautioned that the study was preliminary and subject to self-selection bias, and he warned readers NOT to apply the results to the general population.

The results of this study might be skewed because of two factors: results from a study using self-selected participants might not yield the same results as a study using random selection, and a bias might exist among men who are more likely to visit a men's issues website in that they might be more self-aware, or more than normally concerned with their sexuality or health. The role of circumcision trauma might be better understood in a complex multi-factorial perspective, rather than in this cause/effect approach, but would have been premature for a preliminary investigation.

#### CONCLUSION

We hope readers will heed our advice in not extrapolating these results to the general population from this preliminary investigation, but instead use it as a springboard to further investigation, perhaps in a sufficiently large random-sample study.

[http://www.mensstudies.info/OJS/index.php/IJMH/article/download/614/pdf\\_225](http://www.mensstudies.info/OJS/index.php/IJMH/article/download/614/pdf_225)

And a 2008 study by John Krieger found no correlation between circumcision and erectile dysfunction. Krieger reported, "Adult male circumcision was not associated with sexual dysfunction."

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1743-6109.2008.00979.x/abstract>

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

MISLEADING  
STATEMENT

That the AAP confessed that complications have never been studied systematically.

“The AAP’s most recent statement on the topic says there are minimal benefits ... but at the same time admits that the risks and complications have never been systematically studied.”

**Georganne Chapin; op-ed in *Minneapolis Star Tribune*; May 11, 2017**

<http://www.startribune.com/we-re-appalled-at-genital-mutilation-of-girls-what-about-boys-and-circumcision/422052673>

PROOF

This is a significant distortion of the AAP Policy Statement. The AAP did not say, as Chapin claims, that circumcision complications have never been systematically studied. Rather, the AAP explained that the differing definitions of *complication*, *early complication*, and *late complication* across various studies make it difficult to calculate a precise complication rate. Moreover, complication rates for procedures performed by trained hospital personnel may be different from those in developing countries and by untrained ritual practitioners.

Nevertheless, the next sentence states that “significant acute complications are rare, occurring in approximately 1 in 500 newborn male circumcisions.” The AAP added that circumcisions performed by trained professionals in modern medical facilities have fewer complications.

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/130/3/e756>

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

FALSE  
STATEMENT

That Dr. Andrew Freedman of the AAP Task Force admitted that there really aren't any valid medical reasons for circumcision.

"In this commentary [Freedman] says 'We didn't mean that it was *medically* beneficial. We meant that it was important *culturally* in America.' ... In other words, he basically threw under the bus all of the previous medical rationales."  
[emphasis by speaker]

Georganne Chapin; KPFT Radio, Houston; June 10, 2016 – quote begins at 7:52

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jq1cJ4pPWk>

PROOF

Dr. Freedman denied that he had retreated from the AAP Policy Statement.

"**I have not backtracked from the original policy statement...** Unfortunately people, including anti-circumcision activist, [sic] tend to read the policy as a binary equation. Circ good or Circ bad. The policy clearly stated that it was not an endorsement for universal newborn circumcision but a recognition that there **is more to that decision than just the medical** and that those elements deserved respect and acknowledgement ... The point of my editorial was not to tear down or walk back the policy but instead to highlight it's [sic] nuance, acknowledge what really is going on in the offices and nurseries day to day, and point the way out of this mess."

Dr. Andrew Freedman; email to a Circumcision Choice admin; May 10, 2017

A review of the commentary shows that Freedman is correct. He never said that circumcision isn't medically beneficial, and therefore Chapin's assertion is false.

"To understand the recommendations, one has to acknowledge that when parents decide on circumcision, the **health issues are only one small piece** of the puzzle. In much of the world, newborn circumcision is not **primarily** a medical decision. Most circumcisions are done due to religious and cultural tradition. In the West, although parents may use the conflicting medical literature to buttress their own beliefs and desires, **for the most part** parents choose what they want for a wide variety of nonmedical reasons. There can be no doubt that religion, culture, aesthetic preference, familial identity, and personal experience all factor into their decision. Few parents when really questioned are doing it **solely** to lower the risk of urinary tract infections or ulcerative sexually transmitted infections. Given the role of the phallus in our culture, it is not illegitimate to consider these realms of a person's life in making this nontherapeutic, only **partially medical** decision."

Andrew L. Freedman; "The Circumcision Debate: Beyond Benefits and Risks"; *Pediatrics*, 2016

<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/pediatrics/early/2016/04/04/peds.2016-0594.full.pdf>

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

MISLEADING  
STATEMENT

## 2. The Intact America Statement of Principles proclaims opposition to female genital mutilation (FGM).

“Intact America fullfills its mission by challenging social and sexual norms and by advocating for the health and wellbeing of *all children* and the adults they will become.”

“Intact America believes that *all children* – regardless of their race, ethnicity, or culture of origin – have the right to be protected from bodily harm ... The prepuce, or foreskin, is a normal part of both male *and female* genitalia... The clitoral prepuce is removed in certain types of female circumcision.”

<http://www.intactamerica.org/principles>

PROOF

## 3. But Intact America does NOTHING to help victims of FGM or end the practice.

Intact America has never held a protest or media event to bring public awareness to the more than 500,000 girls in the United States who are victims of FGM or are at risk.

Nor has the organization ever reached out to educate high-risk immigrant communities.

Their website and Facebook page have scant information on FGM. Any such content is mentioned only in the context of equating circumcision with FGM.

[http://www.intactamerica.org/dyk\\_FGM](http://www.intactamerica.org/dyk_FGM)

The organization hasn't raised or donated a single dime to help girls harmed by FGM.

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

## 4. Intact America is fanatical, its agenda extreme.

EXTREMISM

Executive Director Georganne Chapin calls circumcision “evil,” and she considers parents and doctors “the enemy.”

If we are to end the horror of genital cutting, we must be willing to vilify circumcision and call it for what it is—horrifying, yes, evil. We must unequivocally call to account those who perpetuate it. This includes ALL circumcisers. And yes, it includes parents too—if they have been informed, and still persist in doing it.

The loathsome act is circumcision, and the enemy is any person of any religion, culture, race or gender who circumcises a child. We need to stop questioning the motives of those whose aim it is to make all circumcisers feel bad, so they stop circumcising.

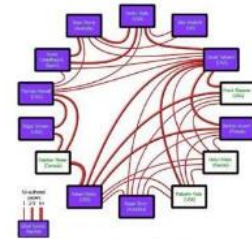
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(This link downloads a Word document from the Genital Autonomy America website.)

FANATICISM

Strategy Advisor Dan Bollinger created a disturbing “Circumcision Cabal” chart that tracks circumcision advocates and assumes the existence of a shadowy pro-circumcision conspiracy.

According to [Dan Bollinger's?] 2008 chart, the only link between Short and Morris is through megalinked Daniel Halperin.



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**Hugh Young**

Note that Short was a member of Gilgal, so he may have had informal links to Morris we know nothing of.

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**Dan Bollinger**

Yep, taken from my diagrammatic research on the “cabal.”

3 hours ago · Like · Reply

FANATICISM

Steering Committee member Marilyn Fayre Milos celebrated the death of Dr. Edgar Schoen, a distinguished AAP leader. Milos wanted to “carry balloons and dance on his casket.”



**Marilyn Fayre Milos**

I've decided not to go to his memorial tomorrow. I would carry balloons and dance on his casket. He was the first doctor at the AAP to say that there are benefits as well as risks. That was the beginning of the AAP's move toward protecting doctors instead of babies! Schoen is responsible for the suffering of more babies than most doctors. Let us hope their tortured screams haunt him for eternity.

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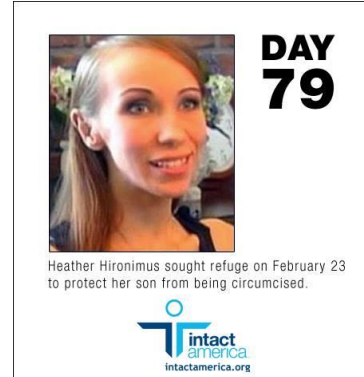
Marilyn Milos Facebook comment; August 29, 2016

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know

EXTREMISM

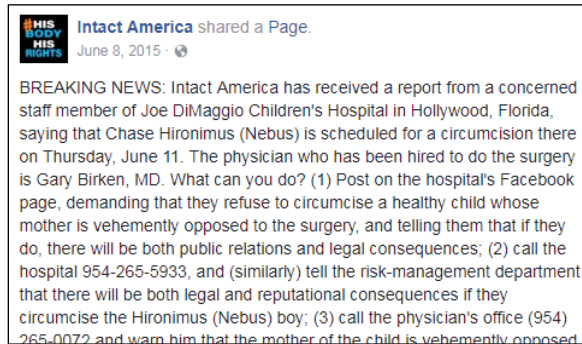
Intact America encouraged a Florida mother to hide her son in violation of a court order. The mother was later arrested and lost custody of her child. Intact America retaliated by publicizing the names of the hospital and the physician scheduled to perform the procedure, causing hundreds of intactivist threats of bodily harm and other illegal actions. Both the FBI and Secret Service were called in to investigate.

PROOF



<https://www.facebook.com/intactamerica/photos/a.179020566387.151208.41930706387/10153331202346388>

<http://www.sun-sentinel.com/local/palm-beach/fl-circumcision-mom-custody-case-ends-20150716-story.html>

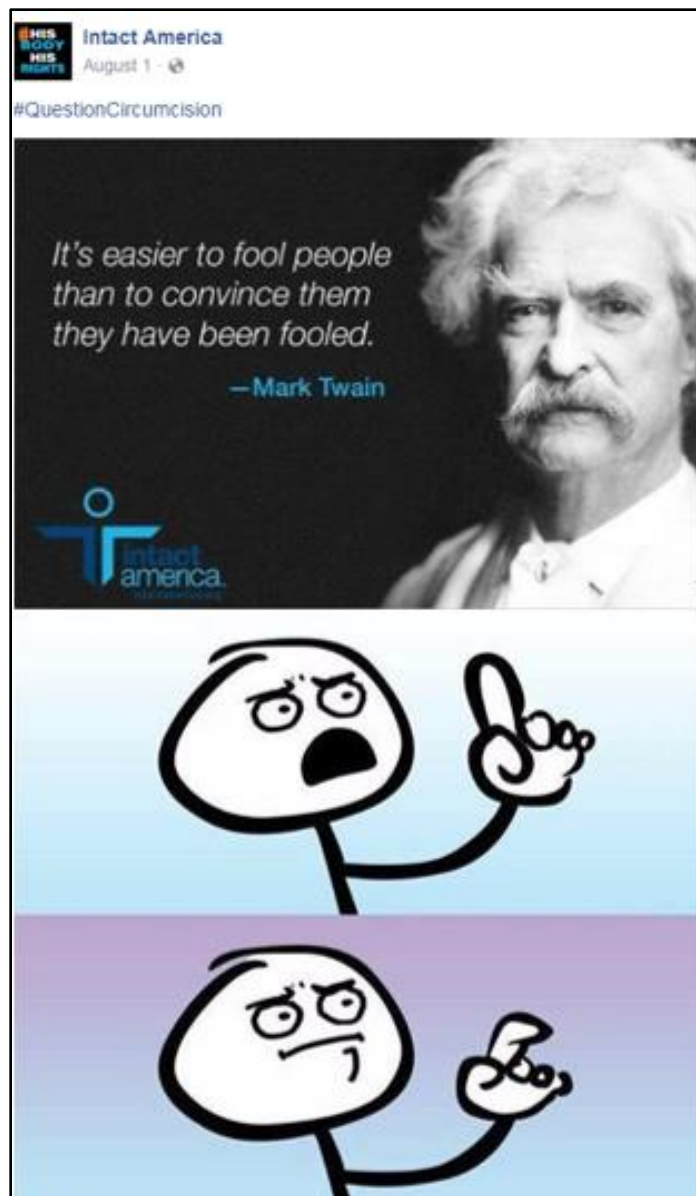


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“On June 8, 2015 ... confidential medical records of this child became public information contained in this Court's file and on the Mother's 'friends' websites. The new surgeon who had agreed to do the surgery became the target of posts on the website, and threats should he do the scheduled surgery, including, but not limited, to his malpractice carrier's information, etc. The hospital, where the surgery was supposed to be performed, also received threats including, but not limited to, threats by the group Anonymous threatening to hack the hospital's computers and release confidential information. The hospital was forced to call in the Secret Service and law enforcement for this terrorist threat.”

“Father's Motion for Psychological Evaluation of the Mother” – September 3, 2015; Fifteen Circuit Court, Palm Beach County – Family Division; Case #50 2010 DR 013957SB – Nebus v Hironimus

# What Intact America doesn't want you to know



[CircumcisionChoice.com](http://CircumcisionChoice.com)  
[Facebook.com/CircumcisionChoice](https://Facebook.com/CircumcisionChoice)