

Campus Opinion

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COUNTERPOINT

Should Meredith College provide birth control to its students?*

• "Meredith needs to recognize that many women are ignorant when it comes to birth control—Help them out!"

• "Provided means given when asked for. If you didn't need them, then you wouldn't have to have them."

• "Why go to a clinic when it would be easier to get them here? Y'all provide flu shots to prevent the flu. Why not provide birth control to help prevent pregnancy?"

• "To all the No's: Birth control acts as a prevention of pregnancy but as a hormonal balancer. Besides, do you want to have to pay for another unplanned pregnancy? We need to start facing the facts. People need to be aware of their options. Yes, I do, call myself a Christian and I do practice safe sex. A year ago, I may have said no, but now I can see how beneficial the pill is. We need to face the fact that sex is out there, and most of us do it."

• "Refusing to distribute condoms is not going to change the fact that people have sex. Far from encouraging women to have sex, the availability of birth control would only help us do it more responsibly."

• "If we want birth control, and there was a high demand we should be able to receive birth control in a confidential way from the infirmary."

• "A lot of people are saying 'buy it yourself.' What if you don't have the \$, you are doing your best to make it through college? What is the answer to that?"

* **NOTE:** The preceding contributions are student responses to the Joyner Hall graffiti board. "Point" represents those in favor of Meredith's Health Center's offering birth control, while "Counterpoint" represents those opposed.

• "Flu shots and birth control are hardly the same thing! The flu is something that you can catch, you don't catch pregnancy. The responsibility of caring for a child can hardly be connected with the flu. True, condoms prevent pregnancy, but the real issue is moral. If Meredith still upheld values, this question should not be an issue."

• "Buy it yourself!"

• "Think with your head not your hormones."

• "As women we should be able to take responsibility for our actions, not depend on someone else! I would like the fact it would be given to us for free, but we would probably have another increase in tuition! Think, Ladies!"

• "If you are responsible enough to make the decision of having sex, you should be responsible enough to buy birth control on your own. Sex is both an issue of morality and health!!"

• "If we want Meredith to stay out of our personal lives, we shouldn't invite it in."

• "Meredith is an educational institution—not a clinic. We, as educated responsible adults (and educated women), should have the sense to provide our own birth control. Not only that, but Meredith should look closer into women's right (like the right to say "No" to sex). Let us make our own choices without personal interference from a SCHOOL. i.e. education provider not a condom provider."

• "Would you ask this college to provide for your drug habits? No! Why would [you] ask for the college to provide birth control? Sex is much like a drug; once you start it's hard to stop."

• "Sex is a private thing, and if you want to practice it, it's not the public or the school's responsibility to provide you with birth control."

• "The best form of birth control is self control."

• "Masturbate instead!"

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Special Pops Dance on Friday

FROM THE OFFICE OF MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Meredith Psychology Club will be holding its annual Special Populations Dance. The dance is organized by Meredith students for developmentally and mentally disabled individuals in the community. The dance will be held Nov. 21, 1997 from 7 - 11 p.m. in Weatherspoon Gym. "It's going to be lot's of fun. Bring your friends," said Mary Loyd, president of the Psychology Club.

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