

League Assists Conscientious Objector

It is by now commonplace in the medical profession to request, if not to require, doctors and nurses to provide services that Catholics, and others, find troubling. Providing advice on birth control is one example. At Beth Israel Hospital in New York City, nurse Arfaela Ortiz found herself in this predicament and contacted the Catholic League for advice. We helped her prepare a statement to her superiors that cited her religiously-informed conscientious objections to the request for such services. We are glad to report that the hospital officials agreed to honor nurse Ortiz's moral convictions and allowed her to be faithful to her Catholicism.