

US Soon to Expand Mexico City Policy to Wider Range of Activities. By Anna Gawel, *Devex* Newswire, 6 Oct 2025

Ideology politics

For years, family planning groups such as MSI have seen their funding ebb and flow because of U.S. politics, but now, many other organizations could find themselves in the same situation.

A long-rumored Trump administration policy that would **expand restrictions placed on funding abortion to a wider range of activities** is reportedly close to public release, my colleague Michael Igoe tells me.

According to multiple organizations aware of the administration's plans, **the White House is on the verge of expanding the Mexico City Policy** — which prohibits funding to organizations that provide abortion-related services — to further restrict activities related to diversity, equity, and inclusion, as well as gender rights-related programs.

“What we’re expecting next ... is **a massive ideological weaponization of foreign assistance**,” said Beirne Roose-Snyder, senior policy fellow at the [Council for Global Equity](#), in a press briefing last week.

The new policy, which is reported to fall under **the moniker of “human flourishing,”** is expected to expand restrictions on U.S. foreign aid funds beyond those currently imposed by the so-called global gag rule. While this policy bars U.S. global health funding to organizations that provide abortion services or counseling, the new policy **will reportedly extend to all U.S. foreign assistance funds** and encompass a much broader range of activities.

It is also expected to apply to U.N. agencies and humanitarian assistance funds, which were previously exempt from such restrictions.

“This isn’t about what can be done with U.S. funds. It’s about restricting the speech and the activities of organizations, multilaterals, and governments outside of their U.S.-funded work,” Roose-Snyder said.