# Defiant Birth: Women Who Resist Medical Eugenics

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Medical eugenics is the practice of using science to improve the human race by selectively breeding people with desirable traits. This practice has been used to justify a wide range of atrocities, from forced sterilization to genocide. In recent years, medical eugenics has taken on a new form: the

use of prenatal genetic testing to screen for and abort fetuses with disabilities.

The women in Defiant Birth have all been affected by medical eugenics in some way. Some have been pressured to abort their children because of their genetic makeup. Others have been denied access to reproductive healthcare because they have disabilities. Still others have been sterilized without their consent.

Despite the challenges they have faced, the women in Defiant Birth have all refused to be defined by their genetics. They have fought for their right to make decisions about their own bodies and their children's lives. Their stories are an inspiration to us all.

#### The Stories of the Women in Defiant Birth

The women in Defiant Birth come from all walks of life. They are mothers, sisters, daughters, and friends. They are also activists, artists, and scholars. They are all different, but they are united by their shared experience of resisting medical eugenics.

One of the women in the book is a young mother named Sarah. Sarah was pregnant with her second child when she was told that her fetus had Down syndrome. Her doctor pressured her to abort, but she refused. Sarah knew that her child had the right to be born, regardless of his genetic makeup.

Another woman in the book is a woman named Jessica. Jessica has a disability called spina bifida. When she was pregnant with her first child, her doctor told her that she would not be able to carry the pregnancy to term.

Jessica refused to give up. She found a doctor who supported her and she gave birth to a healthy baby boy.

The stories of the women in Defiant Birth are all unique, but they all share a common theme: these women have all refused to be defined by their genetics. They have fought for their right to make decisions about their own bodies and their children's lives. Their stories are an inspiration to us all.

#### The Importance of Defiant Birth

Defiant Birth is an important book because it gives voice to the women who have been affected by medical eugenics. These women have been silenced for too long. Their stories need to be heard.

Defiant Birth is also important because it offers a glimpse of a future where women are truly free to make their own choices about their reproductive health. This is a future that we should all be working towards.

If you are interested in learning more about medical eugenics and the women who are fighting against it, I encourage you to read Defiant Birth. This book is a powerful and moving testament to the strength and resilience of the human spirit.

#### **Reviews**

"Defiant Birth is a must-read for anyone who cares about women's rights and reproductive justice." - Gloria Steinem

"Defiant Birth is a powerful and inspiring book that tells the stories of women who have resisted medical eugenics. These women are heroes,

and their stories need to be heard." -Rebecca Skloot, author of The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

"Defiant Birth is a groundbreaking book that will change the way we think about medical eugenics. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the history of eugenics and its impact on women's lives." - Dorothy Roberts, author of Killing the Black Body: Race, Reproduction, and the Meaning of Liberty

### **Buy Defiant Birth Today**

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Thank you for your interest in Defiant Birth. I hope you will read this book and share it with others. Together, we can create a future where women are truly free to make their own choices about their reproductive health.



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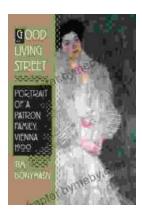
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