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The National Society of Genetic Counselors Releases Statement regarding Kansas jury's conviction of Dr. George Tiller's murderer

The National Society of Genetic Counselors commends the Kansas jury's decision to convict Scott Roeder of the premeditated, first-degree murder of Dr. George Tiller. "The jury's swift, decisive verdict condemns the appalling and tragic nature of the act. While personal opinions may vary on abortion, the jury's decision sends a clear message that this crime and other tactics that terrorize health care providers will not be tolerated by society," said Elizabeth Kearney, President of the NSGC. Dr. Tiller compassionately supported women who faced complicated medical issues by providing safe, legal, and appropriate medical care.

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About the National Society of Genetic Counselors

NSGC is the leading voice, authority and advocate for the genetic counseling profession. The Society represents more than 2,400 health professionals, most of whom provide direct patient care (totaling more than one million visits per year). Members are employed in a wide range of clinical care, academic, research and biotechnology settings, and are located in every state of the U.S. and internationally. The organization is committed to ensuring that the public has access to genetic counseling and genetic testing. For more information, visit www.nsgc.org.