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Subject: Chatbots directing women with unwanted pregnancies to anti-abortion websites

According to reports by AlgorithmWatch[1], general-purpose AI chatbots across Europe blur the line between official health information and anti-abortion advocacy, directing users seeking information in cases of unwanted pregnancy to anti-abortion content without clearly identifying sources, including by failing to distinguish between official health authorities and anti-abortion organisations, making it difficult for users to assess the provenance and reliability of the information. A team of female journalists tested ChatGPT-5 (OpenAI), Gemini 3 (Google), Grok 4.3 (xAI) and Claude Sonnet 4.8 (Anthropic). In Italy and the UK, official sources were not consistently included in chatbot responses, while in Germany recommendations for help even misdirected people to anti-abortion ‘counselling’, despite the fact that official consultations with healthcare professionals are required locally for an abortion.

1. Does the Commission agree that reliable healthcare information on abortion from official sources is essential to protect the health, safety and fundamental rights of people in Europe and, if so, does it agree that the general-purpose AI chatbots could pose a systemic risk under the AI Act and, in the case of ChatGPT, under the Digital Services Act?

2. Is the Commission aware of the AlgorithmWatch report? If so, what steps has it taken to investigate and address this issue?

[1] https://algorithmwatch.org/en/chatbots-abortion-ai/.

3. What other steps is the Commission taking to address the reliability of information given by chatbots and even possible foreign influence via chatbots?

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