REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE

League of Women Voters Colorado Reproductive Justice Task Force

Expand CO Rights

Recently introduced Legislation in Colorado:

- Protections For Accessing Reproductive Health Care (SB23-188) aims to expand protections for providers of reproductive health care or gender-affirming health-care.
- Increasing Access to Reproductive Health Care (SB23-189) expands the coverage of insurance plans to include reproductive health care, STI/HIV prevention and care, as well as sterilization services without charge.
- Deceptive Trade Practice Pregnancy related Service (SB23-190) prohibits the use of deceptive advertising by antiabortion centers including providers who claim to provide "abortion pill reversal."



"Although crisis pregnancy centers (CPCs) enjoy 1st Amendment rights protections, their propagation of **MISINFORMATION**

should be regarded as an ethical violation that undermines women's health." -AMA Journal of Ethics

20 **REAL** Abortion Clinics = Red; 51 CPCs = Blue

<u>Intersectionality</u>

Recognition that sexism creates hurdles for repro-care, but racism multiplies the cost to Black women that are 3x more likely to die during childbirth as White women.

Other Crossroads:

Classism, Ableism, Ageism

Homo/Transphobia, Fatphobia

End Abortion Stigma

How does Stigma hurt Pregnant Americans? Folks "Living in a state that banned abortion after Dobbs were up to 3x more likely to die during pregnancy, childbirth, or soon after giving birth... Babies born in banned states were 30% more likely to die in their first month of life."

-Gender Equality Policy Institute

"Safe abortion is safer than carrying a pregnancy to term." -IPAS

How does Stigma hurt Black Americans? "Black women were almost 3x as likely to die in pregnancy, childbirth, or right after giving birth as White women... Black babies were more than 2x as likely to **die** in their first month of life as White babies." -Gender Equality Policy Institute

How can I help? Educate yourself. Talk about abortion! Share your story, inform others of their rights and options for care. Vocally support reproductive freedom without judgement for patients or providers.

Women/trans-men/non-binary AFAB

FDA Approved Mifepristone Caught up in the Courts

Attorneys General from 12 states (including CO) file to expand Mifepristone access after Texas challenges FDA.

"[M]isoprostol used alone can be effective (87%) & safe for inducing abortion in the first trimester"
-Obstet Gynecol.

Repro-Care Deserts

Not all CO folks have equal access to care!

The danger of living in a comprehensive reproductive care desert occurs when pregnant people need emergency care. Store tests at home to maintain medical privacy. Know where to go, and how far you'll travel, if you need reproductive care.

Reproductive-Care Desert Survival Kit:

- Pregnancy Tests
- Repro-care Emergency Plan
- Plan B/Emergency Contraception
- Abortion Pills (mifepristone/misoprostol)

Telehealth Heroes

New technology keeps abortion access alive by offering prescription access to abortion seekers worldwide. **YES!** Even US states where medical abortion is currently illegal.

GO TO: www.plancpills.org/find-pills

Keep medical abortion pills (mifepristone and/or misoprostol) at home to avoid everchanging hurdles to reproductive health-care which continue to purposefully limit fundamental reproductive autonomy.

Is Medical Abortion Safe?

YES!

"The FDA has found that medication abortion ... successfully terminates the pregnancy 99.6% of the time, with a 0.4% risk of major complications, and an associated mortality rate of less than 0.001 percent (0.00064%)."

-Kaiser Family Foundation

Reproductive Justice Task Force



TAKE ACTION NOW!

- Share Newsletter with Friends & Family; openly discuss abortion care and access to fight stigma.
- Scan QR Code to Join the League of Women Voters Colorado Reproductive Justice Task Force, find resources, organizations to donate to & more!
- Educate yourself to fight misinformation, stigma, and barriers to comprehensive reproductive health-care.
- Ask your local and federal representatives about their stance on abortion and how they are going to expand access, eliminate hurdles, and stand for reproductive justice state and nationwide!

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