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Roe v. Wade
An Issue of Reproductive Health and Women's Rights

MANA Forum
August 16, 2022

SAFE

SPACE

- We welcome your participation.
- All opinions are valid.
- Raise your hand to be acknowledged.

- Forbes, A Supreme Court Primer: What You Need To Know About the Case On The Future Of Roe v. Wade, June 6, 2022.

May 2, 2022 - Supreme Court leaked a draft ruling in a Misssissippi abortion case that would overturn *Roe v. Wade* and would return the issue of abortion rights to the states.

June 24, 2022 - The Supreme Court of the United States voted 5-4 to overturn the landmark *Roe v. Wade* decision of 1973, granting women the federal right to an abortion.

“The law at issue in this case, Mississippi's Gestational Age Act, see Miss. Code Ann. §41-41-191, contains this central provision: “Except in a medical emergency or in the case of a severe fetal abnormality, a person shall not intentionally or knowingly perform or induce an abortion of an unborn human being if the probable gestational age of the unborn human being has been determined to be greater than fifteen (15) weeks.”

- Alito, Justice. “Supreme Court of the United States.”

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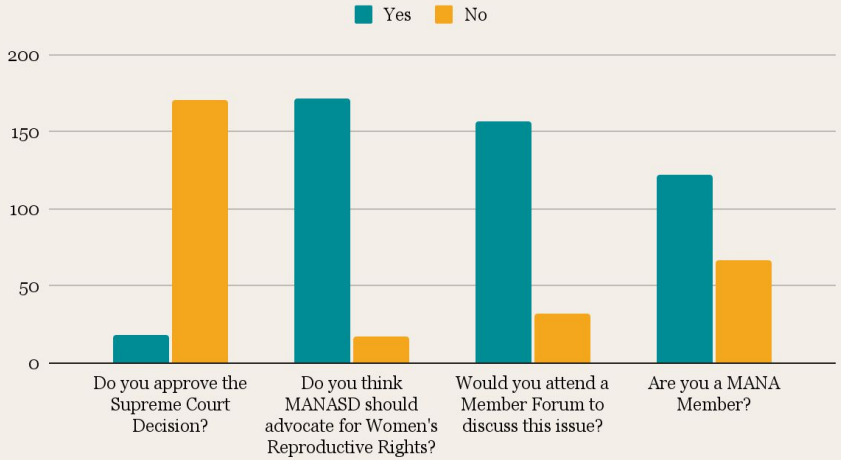

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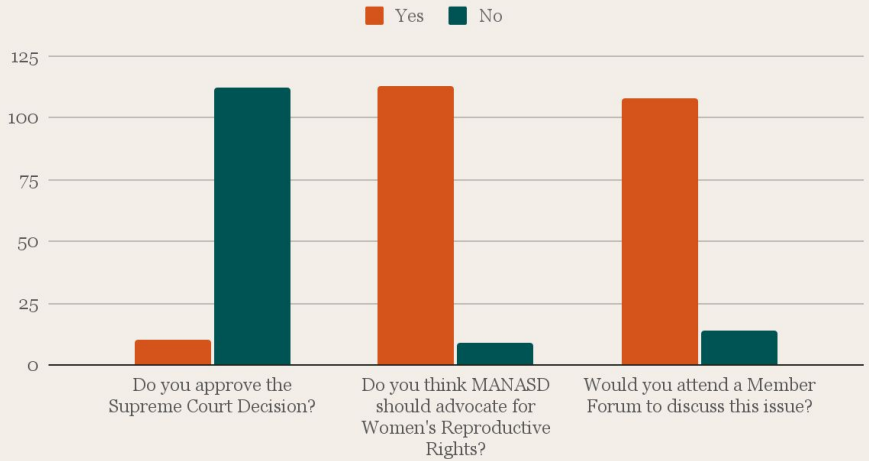


MANA DE SAN DIEGO STATEMENT ON THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION TO OVERTURN ROE V. WADE

As the largest chapter of a Latina national organization who was founded over 35 years ago on the premise of ensuring Latina's have a voice to advocate for a greater presence in vital conversations facing our communities, MANA de San Diego opposes the Supreme Court's ruling in favor of Mississippi's law in the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization case resulting in the overturning of Roe v. Wade.

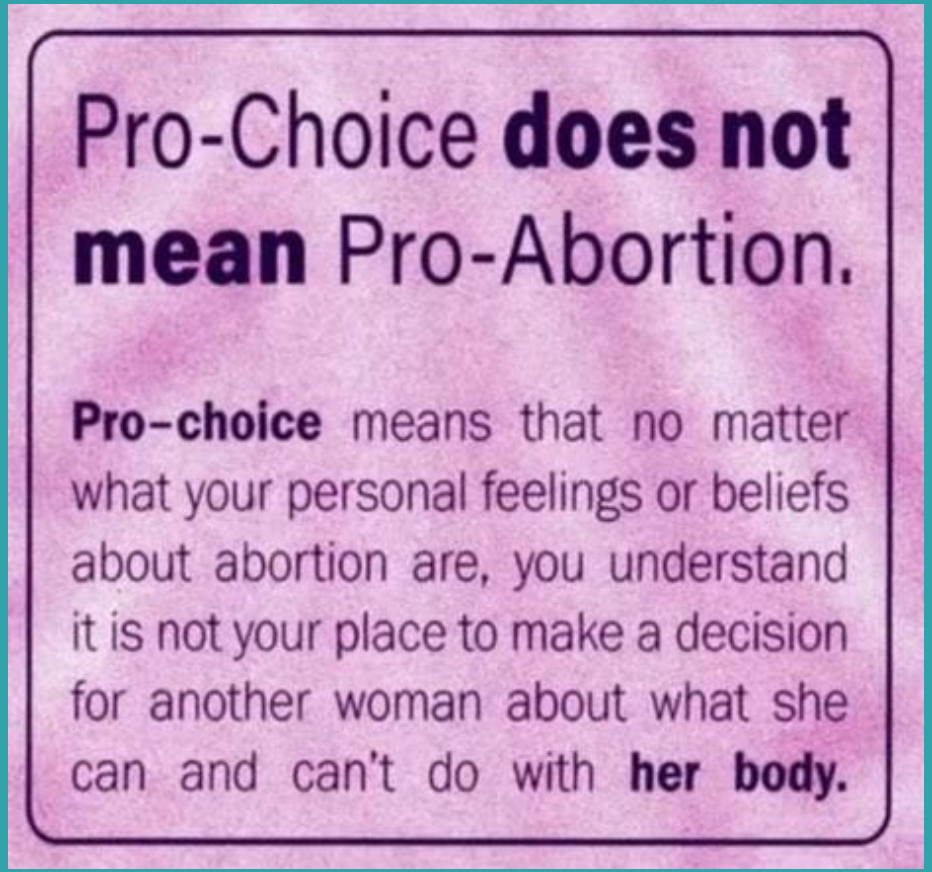
This ruling dramatically limits the ability of women and individuals who can conceive nationwide to access abortion care and will disproportionately impact black, indigenous and people of color (BIPOC), transgender, nonbinary and other historically marginalized groups. While abortion remains legal in California, many of our fellow herMANAs across the country are directly impacted by this decision.

As an organization led by Latinas, MANA de San Diego will continue to work with members and partner organizations to ensure all women and individuals impacted have the information and resources needed to make decisions about their bodies——a decision that should be between a woman and her healthcare provider.

Voting has always mattered. We urge you to support proposed state laws which will guarantee women have safe access to reproductive health care for years to come. More than ever, we urge the MANA de San Diego community to register to vote, to show up to the polls and make their voices heard this November and hereinafter.

Defining Pro Reproductive Rights

- Being pro-choice is a spectrum that is inclusive of all personal opinions and beliefs.
- Pro-choice respects the real-life decisions people and their families face every day.
- Even if you wouldn't choose abortion for yourself, you believe women should have that choice.



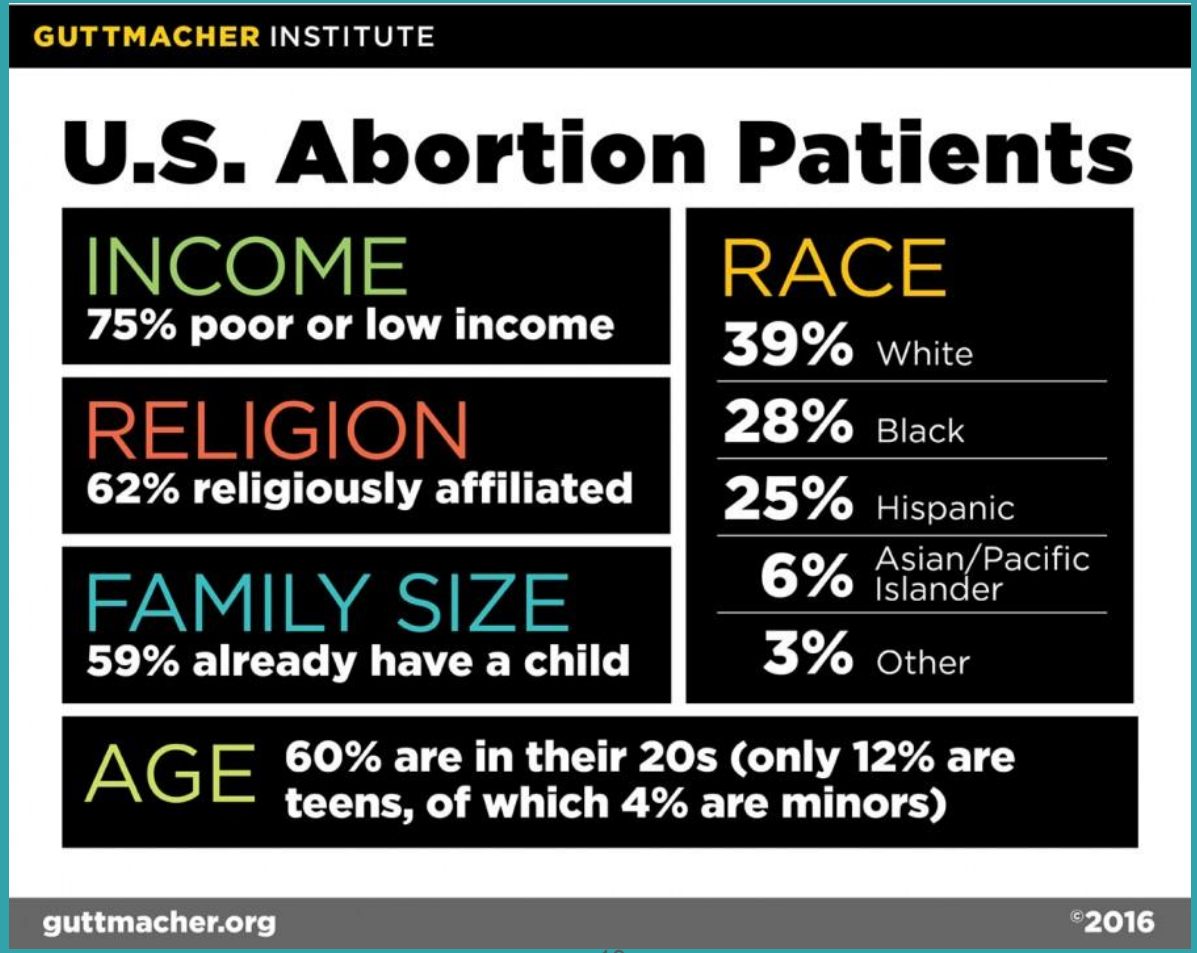
Defining Pro-Life Movement

- Women do not have a right to choose whether or not to continue their pregnancy and give birth to a child.
- Abortion is wrong in most or all circumstances.

California Data

- Approximately 862,320 abortions occurred in the United States in 2017.
- In 2017,132,680 abortions were provided in California, not all abortions that occurred were provided to state residents.
- **There was a a 16% decline in the abortion rate in California between 2014 and 2017, from 19.5 to 16.4 abortions per 1,000 women of reproductive age.**
- There were 419 facilities providing abortions in California in 2017, and 161 of those were clinics. A 6% increase since 2014.
- In 2017, 40% of California counties had no clinics that provided abortions, and 3% of California women lived in those counties.

- Jones RK, Witwer E. and Jerman J., Abortion Incidence and Service Availability in the United States, 2017, New York: Guttmacher Institute, 2019.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U.S. Abortion Patients
INCOME
75% poor or low income
RELIGION
62% religiously affiliated
FAMILY SIZE
59% already have a child
RACE
39% White
28% Black
25% Hispanic
6% Asian/Pacific Islander
3% Other
AGE
60% are in their 20s (only 12% are teens, of which 4% are minors)
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Percentage of abortions by age group

Medi-Cal enrollees between the ages of 20-29 accounted for more than half of all abortions performed between 2014-2020. During the same time period, all age groups saw a decline in the number of abortions performed.

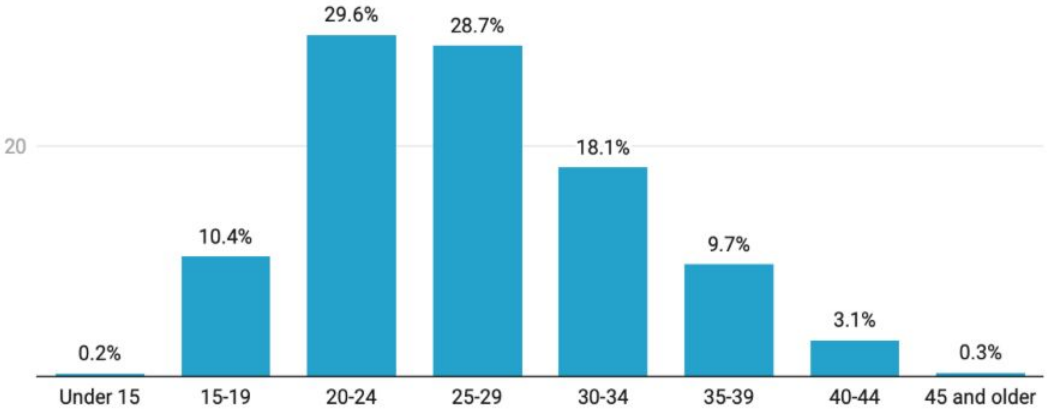

Chart: Kristen Hwang • Source: California Department of Public Health • Created with Datawrapper

However, this same age group also saw the steepest declines in the abortion rate between 2014-2020, decreasing by 32%.

The Time Is Now

As the largest Latina organization in the county, and largest MANA Chapter in the nation, we have a responsibility to address the issue of Latina reproductive health, women's rights, and safe access to abortion.

Where do we stand on Reproductive Health and Rights?

The Future of Healthcare is on the Line

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The map reflects state policies in effect as of August 3, 2022.

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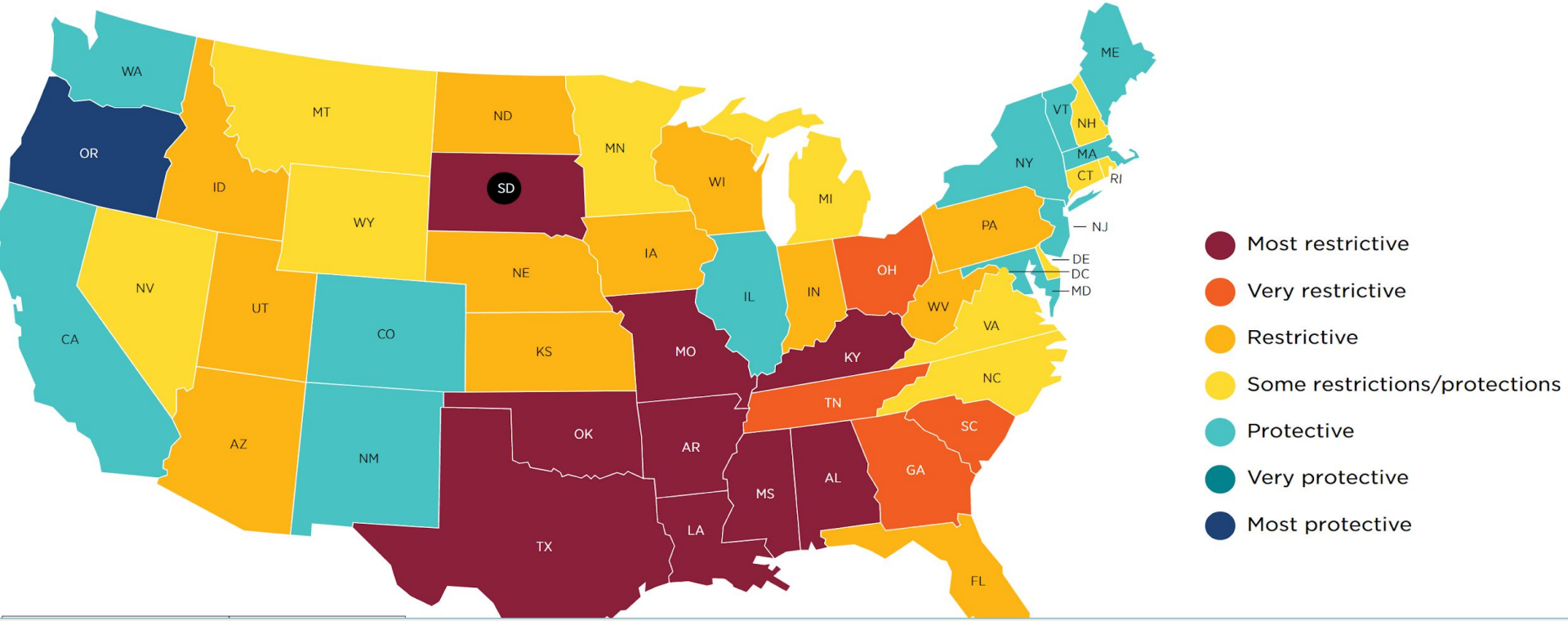


RESOURCE: https://www.guttmacher.org/abortion-rights-supreme-court

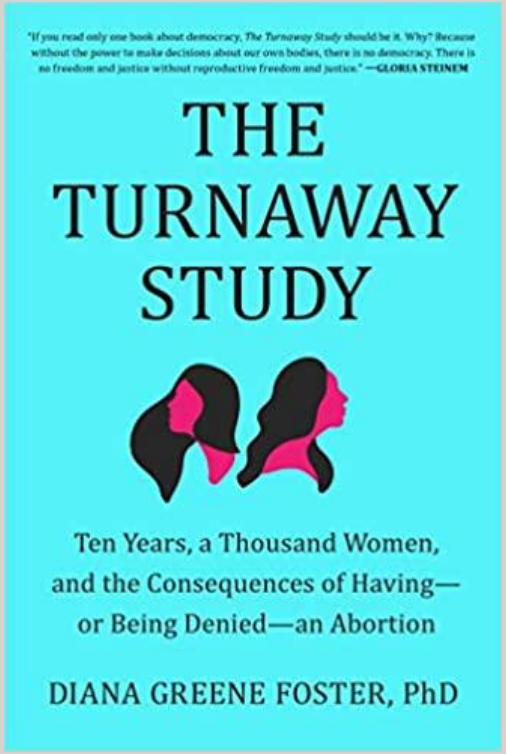
THE TURNAWAY STUDY

A landmark study investigated the question **“What is the impact of having access to abortion on people’s health and well-being?”**

WOMEN DENIED ABORTION ARE:

- More likely to experience serious complications from the end of pregnancy including eclampsia and death.
- More likely to stay tethered to abusive partners.
- More likely to experience negative health impacts—including worse mental health
- More likely to experience poor physical health for years after the pregnancy, including chronic pain and gestational hypertension.
- Those denied were more likely to face worse financial outcomes, including poor credit, debt and bankruptcy
- The study also finds that being denied abortion has serious implications for the children born of unwanted pregnancy, as well as for the existing children in the family.

RESOURCE: https://www.ansirh.org/research/ongoing/turnaway-study



"For people who are unable to get their abortion because the Supreme Court just lets states ban abortions, we're going to see worse physical health, greater economic hardship, lower achievement of aspirational plans, kids raised in more precarious economic circumstances, and people's lives upended."

- Diana Greene Foster, PhD

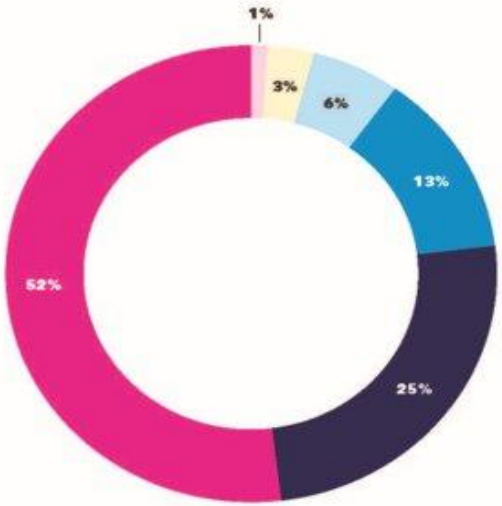
POV: Overturning *Roe v. Wade* Will Worsen Health Inequities in All Reproductive Care

The burden of impact will be borne disproportionately by people of color

RESOURCE: https://www.bu.edu/articles/2022/overturning-roe-v-wade-will-worsen-health-inequities/

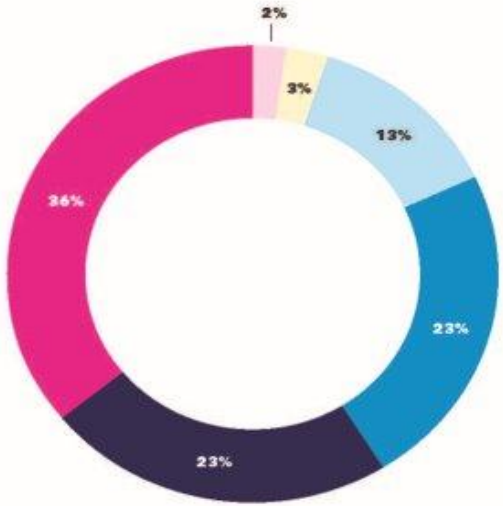
2019 Affiliate Medical Services Data[4]

Affiliate medical services by percentage



- STI Testing and Treatment
- Contraception
- Other Women's Health Services
- Cancer Screenings and Prevention
- Abortion Services
- Other Services

Contraceptive services by percentage



- Oral Pill
- Other
- Long-Acting Methods (IUD & Implants)
- Progestin-Only Injectables
- Combined Hormone Ring
- Combined Hormone Patch

[4] Patient care provided by Planned Parenthood affiliate health centers from October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019.

AND THERE IS MORE!

CRIMINALIZATION

INFLUX OF PATIENTS FROM OTHER

PRIVACY VIOLATIONS

HEALTH INSURANCE CHANGES

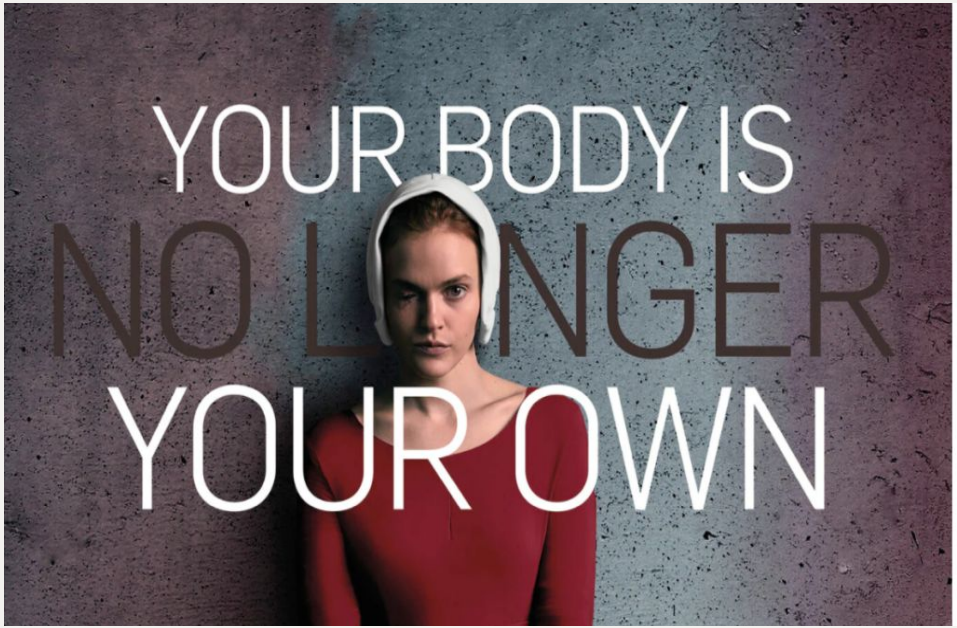
MORE OVERTURNING OF PROTECTIVE LAWS

California is moving in the opposite direction, ramping up legal protections for abortion providers and pouring resources into expanding access as clinics prepare for a possible surge of patients traveling from other states to terminate their pregnancies.

BUT WE MUST PROTECT ALL NOT JUST SOME!

Closing

This is not just an issue for "them", this is an issue that we all must take a stand in or we will see erosion of rights for all of us…one by one.



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Reproductive Justice in California:

Right to Abortion ≠ Access to Abortion

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Yes, Abortion Is Safe & Legal in California

But it is not always accessible…

- Latinas, Black women and women living in poverty face barriers to abortion access
- **40 percent** of California counties have **NO** clinics that provide abortions
- Many women relying on Medi-Cal must travel more than **100 miles** to find abortion providers that will accept it

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Ensuring Reproductive Justice for All Californians Means…

- Supporting programs that provide access to marginalized communities and people impacted by abortion bans
- Educating yourselves and those around you about reproductive justice and why it is so important
- Supporting state laws to further protect abortion health care rights

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Proposed State Laws That Will Advance Reproductive Justice for All:

- SCA 10 – spells out the rights to access abortion and contraceptives in the state constitution
- AB 2223 – ensures that no one in California is investigated, prosecuted or incarcerated for ending a pregnancy or experiencing a pregnancy loss
- AB 2199 – advances birth equity by funding doulas to work with communities who suffer high rates of negative birth outcomes

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"We the People"
means every one of us.

We are in this together and
together we will win.

Thank you.

¡Adelante!

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Advocacy Brainstorm

- Break into groups of 5-6
- Everyone share at least 1 advocacy idea, no filter (15 minutes)
- Discuss and select your top pick (5 minutes)
- One group member will share your top pick (10 minutes)
- All activity ideas will be documented and saved

Moving Forward . . . .

- Use group responses to develop a strategy to support women's reproductive rights.
- Create web page with access to resources and other pertinent information.
- Partner with organizations to protect women's reproductive rights.

Opportunities for Members

1. MANA Latina Success Conference, Oct.22, SDSU, 8am-3pm
2. UCLA Latino Policy & Policy Inst. (LLPI), Latinas in the Fight for Reproductive Rights webinar, Aug. 31, 11:00am
3. MANA Annual Meeting, Nov. TBD
4. Symposium: Roe v. Wade - What Happens Next? SD County Vice Chair Nora Vargas, August 20, 9am-Noon

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