### Montana

**ACCESS FACT:** 56% of Montana women live in counties with no abortion clinic.*

### Political Information

**EXECUTIVE**

Governor Greg Gianforte (R) opposes reproductive freedom.

**LEGISLATURE**

The Montana Senate has a mixed record on reproductive freedom.

The Montana House has a mixed record on reproductive freedom.

### Abortion Rights: Protections and Bans

**PROTECTIONS**

- YES - The Montana state constitution provides protection for the right to abortion in addition to the U.S. Constitution.
- NO - Montana does not have an affirmative right to abortion enshrined in state law.

**BANS**

- NO - Montana does not ban the standard method for providing second trimester abortion care.
- NO - Montana does not unconstitutionally ban abortion throughout pregnancy in violation of *Roe v. Wade*.
- NO - Montana does not ban abortion based on the reason a pregnant person may seek abortion care.

### Reproductive Health: Access and Restrictions

**EXPANDED SCOPE OF PRACTICE**

- YES - Montana expands the type of qualified healthcare professionals who can provide abortion services.

**CLINIC SHUTDOWN LAWS**

- NO - Montana treats abortion providers like other medical professionals.

**BIASED COUNSELING AND MANDATORY DELAYS**

- YES - Montana subjects pregnant people seeking abortion care to biased counseling requirements and/or mandatory waiting periods.

**YOUNG PEOPLE AND ABORTION**

- YES - Montana restricts young people’s access to abortion services by mandating parental consent.

**EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION**

- NO - Montana has not improved people’s access to emergency contraception in the ER.

**CLINIC PROTECTIONS**

- YES - Montana law protects people seeking reproductive healthcare and/or clinic personnel from blockades, harassment, and/or violence.

**GUARANTEES AND REFUSALS OF MEDICAL CARE**

- Prescription Guarantees
  - NO - Montana does not guarantee that birth control prescriptions will be filled.

- Healthcare Refusals
  - YES - Montana allows certain organizations or individuals to refuse to provide people specific reproductive-health services, information, or referrals.

- COUNSELING AND REFERRAL BANS
  - NO - Montana does not prohibit some organizations or individuals that receive state funds from counseling and/or referring for abortion.

### Reproductive Health Coverage: Guarantees and Restrictions

**PRIVATE COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION**

- YES - Montana law guarantees expanded coverage for contraceptive products.

**PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION**

- YES - Montana provides increased coverage for Medicaid-funded family-planning services.

**PRIVATE COVERAGE OF ABORTION**

- Montana has no provision guaranteeing or restricting insurance coverage of abortion.

**PUBLIC COVERAGE OF ABORTION**

- YES - Montana covers low-income people’s access to medically necessary abortion care.

### Color Key:

- ● Restricts Reproductive Freedom
- ○ Shows Mixed Support for Reproductive Freedom
- ● Expands Reproductive Freedom

While these laws remain on the books, some have been temporarily or permanently blocked. For more information, please see Fast Facts.

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