ACCESS FACT: 18% of Delaware women live in counties with no abortion clinic.

Political Information

EXECUTIVE
Governor John Carney (D) supports reproductive freedom.

LEGISLATURE
The Delaware Senate supports reproductive freedom.
The Delaware House supports reproductive freedom.

Abortion Rights: Protections and Bans

PROTECTIONS
NO - The Delaware state constitution does not provide additional protection for the right to abortion.
YES - Delaware has an affirmative right to abortion enshrined in state law.

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

Reproductive Health: Access and Restrictions

EXPANDED SCOPE OF PRACTICE
NO - Delaware does not allow some qualified healthcare professionals to provide abortion services.

CLINIC SHUTDOWN LAWS
YES - Delaware does not subject pregnant people seeking abortion care to biased counseling requirements or mandatory waiting periods.

BIASED COUNSELING AND MANDATORY DELAYS
NO - Delaware does not subject pregnant people seeking abortion care to biased counseling requirements or mandatory waiting period.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ABORTION
YES - Delaware restricts young people’s access to abortion services by mandating parental notice.

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

CLINIC PROTECTIONS
NO - Delaware law does not protect people seeking reproductive healthcare and/or clinic personnel from blockades, harassment, and/or violence.

GUARANTEES AND REFUSALS OF MEDICAL CARE
Prescription Guarantees
NO - Delaware does not guarantee that birth control prescriptions will be filled.

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

COUNSELING AND REFERRAL BANS
YES - Delaware prohibits 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 - Delaware law guarantees expanded coverage for contraceptive products.

PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION
YES - Delaware provides increased coverage for Medicaid-funded family-planning services.

PRIVATE COVERAGE OF ABORTION
Delaware has no provision guaranteeing or restricting insurance coverage of abortion.

PUBLIC COVERAGE OF ABORTION
NO - Delaware restricts low-income people’s access to abortion.

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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*SOURCE: Guttmacher Institute, 2017 data