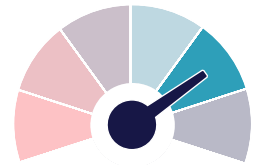


# Washington



**ACCESS FACT:** 10% of Washington women live in counties with no abortion clinic.\*

**Strongly Protected Access**

## Political Information

### EXECUTIVE

Governor Jay Inslee (D) **supports reproductive freedom.**

### LEGISLATURE

The Washington Senate **supports reproductive freedom.**

The Washington House **supports reproductive freedom.**

## Abortion Rights: Protections and Bans

### PROTECTIONS

**NO** - The Washington state constitution does not provide additional protection for the right to abortion.

**YES** - Washington has an affirmative right to abortion enshrined in state law.

### BANS

**NO** - Washington does not ban the standard method for providing second trimester abortion care.

**NO** - Washington does not unconstitutionally ban abortion throughout pregnancy in violation of *Roe v. Wade*.

**NO** - Washington 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** - Washington expands the type of qualified healthcare professionals who can provide abortion services.

### CLINIC SHUTDOWN LAWS

**YES** - Washington subjects abortion providers to restrictions not applied to other medical professionals.

### BIASED COUNSELING AND MANDATORY DELAYS

**NO** - Washington does not subject pregnant people seeking abortion care to biased counseling requirements or mandatory waiting periods.

### YOUNG PEOPLE AND ABORTION

**NO** - Washington does not restrict young people's access to abortion services by mandating parental notice or consent.

### EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION

**YES** - Washington law improves people's access to emergency contraception in the ER.

### CLINIC PROTECTIONS

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

### GUARANTEES AND REFUSALS OF MEDICAL CARE

#### Prescription Guarantees

**YES** - Washington guarantees that birth control prescriptions will be filled.

#### Healthcare Refusals

**YES** - Washington allows certain organizations or individuals to refuse to provide people specific reproductive-health services, information, or referrals.

### COUNSELING AND REFERRAL BANS

**NO** - Washington 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** - Washington law guarantees expanded coverage for contraceptive products.

### PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION

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

### PRIVATE COVERAGE OF ABORTION

**YES** - Washington guarantees abortion coverage in the private insurance market.

### PUBLIC COVERAGE OF ABORTION

**YES** - Washington covers low-income people's access to abortion without restrictions.

**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