

# YOUR GUIDE TO REPRODUCTVIE RIGHTS & ACCESS



### WHAT IS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE?



Reproductive health care is any medical or health related service focused on one's sexual and reproductive health and safety.



Examples of reproductive health care are STI testing and treatment, contraception pills and supplies, cervical and ovarian cancer screenings, and abortion access.

## PROTECTIONS FOR MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS

As of 2022, abortion access is protected in Massachusetts.



The Massachusetts Supreme Court recognizes the right to abortion; per the court, abortion will remain legal in the Commonwealth.





Source: reproductiverights.org

### ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS

Massachusetts affirms the right of physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and nurse midwives to provide abortions before twenty-four weeks of pregnancy.

Massachusetts provides public funding for abortion care.

The state protects abortion clinic safety and access by prohibiting obstruction and providing a buffer zone.

On June 24, 2022, the Massachusetts governor issued an executive order prohibiting executive branch cooperation with out-of-state investigations and legal actions arising from the lawful provision of abortion in Massachusetts.

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### RESTRICTION ON ABORTION IN MASSACHUSETTS

The parent of a minor younger than 16 must consent before an abortion is provided.

An abortion may be performed at 24 or more weeks postimplantation only in cases of life or health endangerment, or if there is a lethal fetal anomaly.

Source: <u>guttmacher.org</u>

#### **RESOURCES**

ACLU Massachusetts aclum.org

Guttmacher Institute guttmacher.org

Planned Parenthood planned parenthood.org

Reproductive Equity Now reproequitynow.org

NARAL Pro-Choice America prochoiceamerica.org

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