South Dakota

TRIGGER BAN: South Dakota has a trigger law to ban abortion if Roe v. Wade is overturned.

As of publication, South Dakota had only one abortion clinic remaining.

ACCESS FACT: 76% of South Dakota women live in counties with no abortion clinic.*



Severely Restricted Access

Political Information

EXECUTIVE

Governor Kristi Noem (R) opposes reproductive freedom.

LEGISLATURE

The South Dakota Senate opposes reproductive freedom.

The South Dakota House opposes reproductive freedom.

Abortion Rights: Protections and Bans

PROTECTIONS

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

NO - South Dakota does not have an affirmative right to abortion enshrined in state law.

BANS

NO - South Dakota does not ban the standard method for providing second trimester abortion care.

YES - South Dakota unconstitutionally bans abortion throughout pregnancy in violation of *Roe v. Wade.*

YES - South Dakota bans abortion based on the reason a pregnant person may seek abortion care.

Reproductive Health: Access and Restrictions

EXPANDED SCOPE OF PRACTICE

NO - South Dakota does not allow some qualified healthcare professionals to provide abortion services.

CLINIC SHUTDOWN LAWS

YES - South Dakota subjects abortion providers to restrictions not applied to other medical professionals.

BIASED COUNSELING AND MANDATORY DELAYS

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

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ABORTION

YES - South Dakota restricts young people's access to abortion services by mandating parental notice.

EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION

NO - South Dakota has not improved people's access to emergency contraception in the ER.

CLINIC PROTECTIONS

NO - South Dakota 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 - South Dakota does not guarantee that birth control prescriptions will be filled.

Healthcare Refusals

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

COUNSELING AND REFERRAL BANS

NO - South Dakota 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

NO - South Dakota law does not guarantee expanded coverage for contraceptive products.

PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION

YES - South Dakota has expanded coverage for some Medicaid-funded family-planning services.

PRIVATE COVERAGE OF ABORTION

NO - South Dakota expressly prohibits abortion coverage in all or some of the private insurance market.

PUBLIC COVERAGE OF ABORTION

NO - South Dakota restricts low-income people's access to abortion.

COLOR KEY: Restricts Reproductive Freedom Shows Mixed Support for Reproductive Freedom Seproductive 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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