



HOUSE REPUBLICAN ATTACKS ON WOMEN'S HEALTH



IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION FUNDING BILL

House Republicans' Funding Bill Includes Extreme Abortion-Related Provisions and Attacks Women's Health

Three years ago, the Supreme Court struck down *Roe v. Wade* by a vote of 6 – 3, denying women the right to make their own health care decisions—

- All 6 Supreme Court Justices appointed by Republican Presidents voted to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.
- All 3 Supreme Court Justices appointed by Democratic Presidents voted to uphold *Roe v. Wade*.

Since the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, Republicans have led efforts to enact total abortion bans in 12 States and partial bans in 29 States.

Republicans continue to **block access to abortion services and reproductive health care**, including by eliminating funding for programs that provide birth control.

Republicans are showing their agenda — they want to make abortion illegal nationally and take away a woman's right to make her own health care decisions.

Republicans' funding bill blocks access to abortion and reproductive health care by prohibiting:

- Funding to Planned Parenthood health clinics.
- Funding to implement federal policies that ensure access to abortion services or reproductive health care for women impacted by State abortion bans following the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.
- Title X health clinics from providing *information* on abortion — which conflicts with Federal requirements to offer complete, medically accurate, comprehensive options counseling.
- Title X health clinics from providing *referrals* for abortion — which, again, conflicts with Federal requirements to offer complete, medically accurate, comprehensive options counseling.
- Funding to a hospital or postgraduate physician training program if the program provides medical education and clinical training in the performance of abortions without the participant first voluntarily electing to opt-in to such training. (All physician training programs currently offer an opt-out option for physicians with personal objections to abortion.)

- Funding to conduct or support medical research using fetal tissue, which would block research to develop life-saving treatments or cures for diseases such as Alzheimer's.

Republican's funding bill eliminates programs that support reproductive health care:

- Title X Family Planning Program: **Eliminated** (a cut of \$286 million)
 - The bill eliminates funding for the Title X Family Planning program, which provides preventive health care services for 2.6 million low-income women and men, including birth control, cancer screenings, and STI testing.
 - More than 1 million people rely on Title X health clinics as their sole or primary source of health care services.
 - The majority of patients live below the federal poverty line.
- Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program: **Eliminated** (a cut of \$108 million)
 - The bill eliminates funding for comprehensive sex education, which is proven to reduce the number of teen pregnancies and unintended pregnancies.
 - Teen Pregnancy Prevention programs reduce sexually-transmitted infections and other associated behavioral risks.
 - More than 150,000 at-risk teens would lose access to evidence-based sexual health and education programs that support healthy relationships.
- Healthy Start (Maternal and Child Health): **Eliminated** (a cut of \$145 million)
 - The bill eliminates funding for the Healthy Start program, which provides health care services to improve infant and maternal health outcomes in communities with the highest infant mortality rates.
 - Healthy Start helps to address the leading causes of infant mortality in the United States, including preterm birth, low birthweight, sudden infant death syndrome, accidents (unintentional injuries), and maternal pregnancy complications.
 - The infant mortality rate for Black children is double the infant mortality rate for all infants.
- Office on Women's Health: **Cut by \$14 million**, only includes a total of \$30 million, which would cut or eliminate funding for initiatives to—
 - Reduce maternal deaths to make the United States a safer place to give birth.
 - Screen and treat patients during pregnancy and postpartum who experience substance use disorder.
 - Improve maternal health through an initiative to identify and treat Endometriosis, Fibroids, and Polycystic Ovary Syndrome, including a special emphasis on reducing disparities in underserved communities.