

NPA Position Statement 2022
Abortion Care is Health Care



Reproductive rights are human rights. The National Perinatal Association will continue to learn from, advocate for, and provide a voice to individuals, families, and healthcare providers who believe that all people should have Constitutionally protected reproductive autonomy.

Choice is a bedrock of Birth Justice. The National Perinatal Association stands for freedom of choice in all realms of an individual's reproductive life, from contemplation and contraception, to fertilization, carrying a pregnancy or choosing termination.

The right to privacy is paramount to patient care. The National Perinatal Association affirms the value of lived experiences and need for medical expertise and therefore rejects undue governmental intrusion into the private, complicated decisions made between patients and their healthcare providers.

Abortion care is health care. The National Perinatal Association acknowledges the harmful history of illegal abortions in the United States predating the Roe v. Wade decision and we will continue to fight to prevent history from repeating itself.



To be clear, regardless of any decision made by this Supreme Court, abortions and abortion care will continue. And while Congress may ultimately decide whether that care remains legal, safe, equitable, and free from legal repercussion, **the choice to obtain an abortion will always remain with an individual and providing access to medically sound abortion care will always be the responsibility of healthcare providers.** This is why the National Perinatal Association will continue to ally with individuals, families, nonprofit organizations, and patient advocates to fight for ongoing safe, responsive, legal, and accessible abortion care.

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