

MEDI-CAL ABORTION SERVICES



IS ABORTION LEGAL IN CALIFORNIA?

Yes! In California, a person has a **legal right to obtain an abortion**.

DOES MEDI-CAL COVER ABORTION?



Yes, California **covers abortions for all Medi-Cal enrollees** and all services related to getting an abortion. For foster youth and former foster youth, there is no out of pocket costs.

WHERE CAN I GET AN ABORTION?

You can get an abortion by **asking your health care provider**. To find out who is your provider, call your Medi-Cal health plan. You can also go to any abortion provider that accepts Medi-Cal, even if they are not part of your health plan.



WHAT IF I HAVE TROUBLE GETTING AN ABORTION?

The Health Consumer Alliance (HCA) offers free assistance over-the-phone or in-person to help people who are struggling to get or maintain health coverage and resolve problems with their health plans. They can assist individuals accessing abortion care. You can **reach the HCA** at 1-888-804-3536 (TTY 1-877-735-2929) or at <https://healthconsumer.org/>.

ACCESS Reproductive Justice operates a free healthline to provide information, referrals, procedural, and practical support around abortion care, birth control, and other reproductive health services. You **can reach ACCESS** at 1-800-376-4636 or at <https://accessrj.org/access-rj-online-request-form/>.

You can **call your attorney**. If you are in foster care in Los Angeles County, Placer County, or Sacramento County, you can call your attorney at Children's Law Center.

You also can **call your social worker and/or CASA** to ask for help.

You can also **talk to the Foster Care Ombuds Office** to find out about all your rights, have someone hear what is going wrong, or get help. Go to fosteryouthhelp.ca.gov or call 1-877-846-1602 or email fosteryouthhelp@dss.ca.gov.

DO I NEED TO TELL ANYBODY ABOUT THE ABORTION?



Youth of any age can get an abortion without the permission of and without having to tell their parent/guardian, spouse/partner, social worker, foster caregiver, or the biological parent of the fetus.

Your health care provider also cannot tell your parent/guardian, spouse/partner, social worker, foster caregiver, or the biological parent of the fetus, that you got an abortion, unless you give the health care provider permission to tell.

