

Some Facts About Abortion Care & Info About PCR

- Pro-Choice Resources is part of the leadership for [Minnesotans for Trust, Respect, Access](#), a coalition dedicated to enacting pro-active legislation to defend and advance access to abortion care. This year the coalition announced legislation:
 - [That would end legislatively forced conversations based on junk science between doctors and patients designed to discourage people from accessing abortion care.](#)
 - [That would "protect the right to affordable, accessible contraception and respect the family planning and medical decisions women make with their doctors." Rep. Erin Murphy](#)
- Pro-Choice Resources is an organizational partner in [All* Above All](#), a campaign dedicated to building support for lifting bans that deny abortion coverage (like the Hyde Amendment), and restoring public insurance coverage so that every person, however much they makes, can get affordable, safe abortion care when they needs it.
- Pro-Choice Resources defends Minnesotans from unconstitutional bills that enact abortion restrictions by testifying and lifting up the voices of those most affected by such restrictions. On Thursday, 2/23/17 we worked with our partners to provide testimony against:
 - [SF 702](#) which would strip coverage of abortion care from Minnesota Medical Assistance. This targets low-income communities who access medical care through Medical Assistance, and is [unconstitutional due to the Minnesota Supreme court case Doe v. Gomez](#) in which PCR was a plaintiff.
 - [SF 704](#) which would impose ambulatory surgical center standards on abortion care clinics. This bill would put 4 out of 5 clinics providing abortion care in MN out of business, and is clearly unconstitutional due to [Whole Woman's Health v Hellerstedt](#).
- [Pro-Choice Resources was an integral part of the Minnesota Supreme Court Case Doe v. Gomez that ensures that Minnesotans can use Medical Assistance to access abortion care.](#)
- Approximately 95% of Minnesota counties have no abortion clinic. 59% of Minnesota women live in these counties.
 - 4 of Minnesota's five clinics that offer abortion care are in the Twin Cities metro area, and one is in Duluth.
- Abortion care costs start at \$600 in Minnesota and can go as high as \$3000 for abortion care in the second trimester.
- Abortion is one of the safest surgical procedures for women in the United States. Fewer than 0.5% of women obtaining abortions experience a complication.
- In Minnesota, a pregnant person must receive state-directed counseling that includes information designed to discourage her from having an abortion, and then wait 24 hours before the procedure is provided.