



# MEDICARE FOR ALL!

## Nurses' Campaign to Win Medicare for All Frequently Asked Questions:

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### “How would Medicare for All protect reproductive freedom?”

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Reproductive rights and freedom are being threatened more now than any time since Roe v Wade. Medicare for All would go a long way towards shielding people from attacks on reproductive freedom while ensuring that they can get the reproductive care they need.

- **Medicare for All includes comprehensive reproductive healthcare and [prohibits the Hyde Amendment](#) from restricting Medicare for All funding for abortion.** As a part of the [benefits package](#), abortion, birth control and other contraceptive services, maternal and newborn care, amongst other things, will be covered.
- **Medicare for All includes multiple safeguards in the event a hostile administration tries to curb reproductive freedom.** States have the right to [expand](#) the benefits package of the system further in the event that there is federal interference in delivery of reproductive care. In addition, doctors can [override](#) federal guidelines that may restrict access to abortion or reproductive care if, in their professional judgment, they deem it medically necessary or appropriate for the patient. This ensures patients can receive reproductive care even if a hostile administration tries to eliminate coverage for certain reproductive procedures.
- **Targeted restrictions on abortion providers (TRAP) laws that force clinics to close or restrict access to abortion services will be much harder to implement under Medicare for All.** Under Medicare for All, states are [prohibited](#) from adding provider regulations that would decrease access to reproductive services. Today, a number of state laws [require excessive and unnecessary requirements on providers who offer abortion services](#), which result in reduced access to safe, high-quality abortion services and other reproductive care. These kinds of state laws that use civil and criminal penalties against providers to reduce access to abortion would be unlawful under Medicare for All.

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