Advancing Health Equity
Through Improving Access
to Patient-Centered
Contraceptive Care

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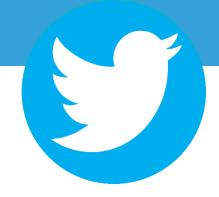
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### Agenda

- Welcome
- Contraceptive Care Paper Overview
  - Lee Taylor-Penn, Senior Policy Analyst, Families USA
- Speaker Presentation
  - Lexi White, Director of State Policy and Advocacy, In Our Own Voice: National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda
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  - Tara Mancini, Director of Public Policy, Power to Decide
- Q & A
- Closing Remarks





# HEALTH EQUITY ACTION

FOR SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION





### Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)



### **Authorized by Congress in 2010**

Mandate: improve the quality and relevance of evidence available to help patients, caregivers, clinicians, employers, insurers, and policy makers make better-informed health decisions.

#### **Goals:**

- Substantially increase the quantity, quality, and timeliness of useful, trustworthy information available to support health decisions.
- Speed the implementation and use of patient-centered outcomes research (PCOR) evidence.
- Influence clinical and healthcare research funded by others to be more patient-centered.



### **Evidence for Equity Publications**

Introductory Brief: The Role of Patient-Centered Outcomes Research In Improving Evidence and Advancing Health Equity

**Asthma:** Advancing Health Equity Through Better Evidence For Asthma Care: Translating Patient-centered Outcomes Research

Learnings Into Equity-focused Policy Recommendations

### **Community Health Workers:**

- Advancing Health Equity Through Community Health Workers and Peer Providers: Mounting Evidence and Policy Recommendations
- Making Community Health Workers Fundamental: New Research Strengthens The Case For State Policymakers to Include CHWs in <u>Care Delivery Teams</u>
- Spotlight On Success: New Mexico Community Health Representative Program Reduces Risk of Chronic Kidney Disease for Rural Zuni

  Indians

**Telehealth:** Advancing Health Equity Through Telehealth Interventions during COVID-19 and Beyond: Policy Recommendations and <a href="Promising State Models">Promising State Models</a>

Contraceptive Care: Advancing Health Equity Through Improved Access to Patient-Centered Contraceptive Care



# Advancing Health Equity Through Improved Access to Patient-Centered Contraceptive Care

### **Potential Solutions**

Priority Area 1: Increase
affordability of contraceptive
methods—by increasing insurance
coverage of contraception
methods and offering uninsured
individuals' free access to family
planning services.

Priority Area 2: Reduce provider
barriers—by loosening practice
restrictions and adjusting
reimbursement guidance to
contraception counseling services.

Priority Area 3: Improve the patient-centeredness of contraceptive care—by considering approaches which center reproductive autonomy.





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# Contraceptive Coverage and Access Federal Policy Landscape

Medicaid

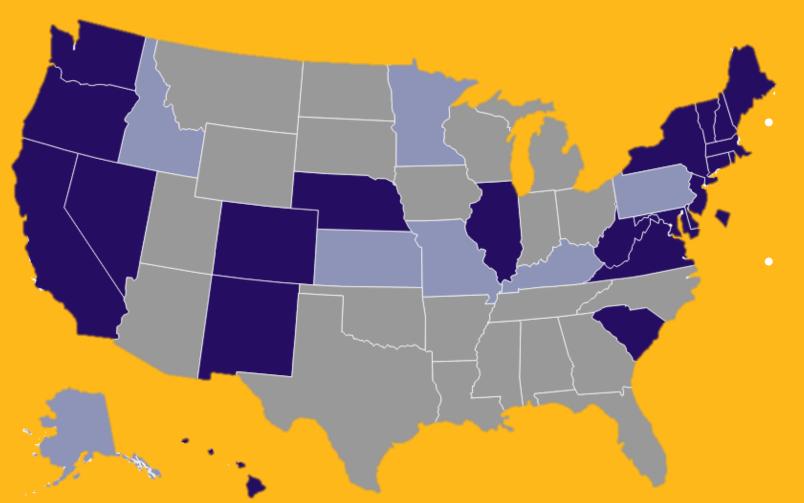
The Title X Family Planning Program

ACA contraceptive coverage provision

### **State Supply of Contraceptives**

- Extended Supply of Contraceptives
- Protecting /Expanding Contraceptive Coverage
- Pharmacist Prescribing of Contraception

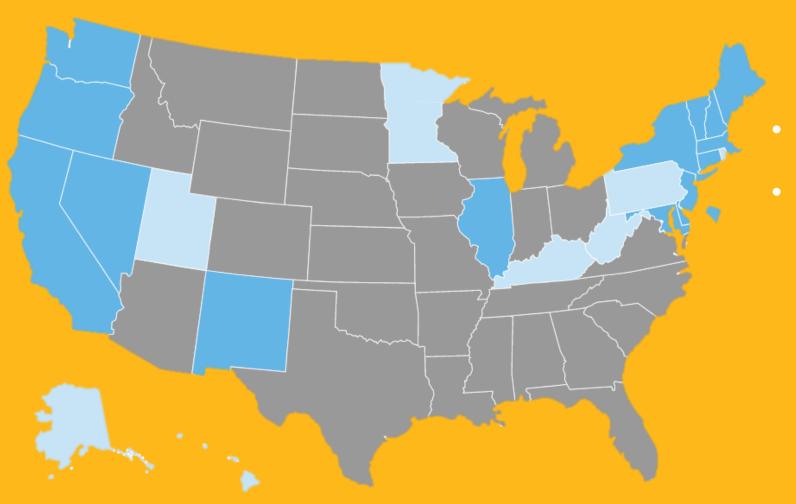
## **Extended Supply of Contraceptives**



23 states including DC have passed this legislation

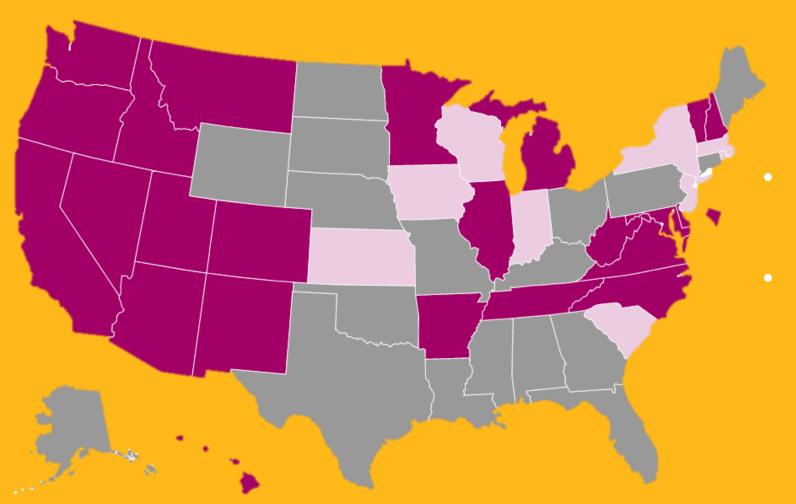
2021: Nebraska & Virginia passed (VA specifically for Medicaid)

## **Protecting Contraceptive Coverage**



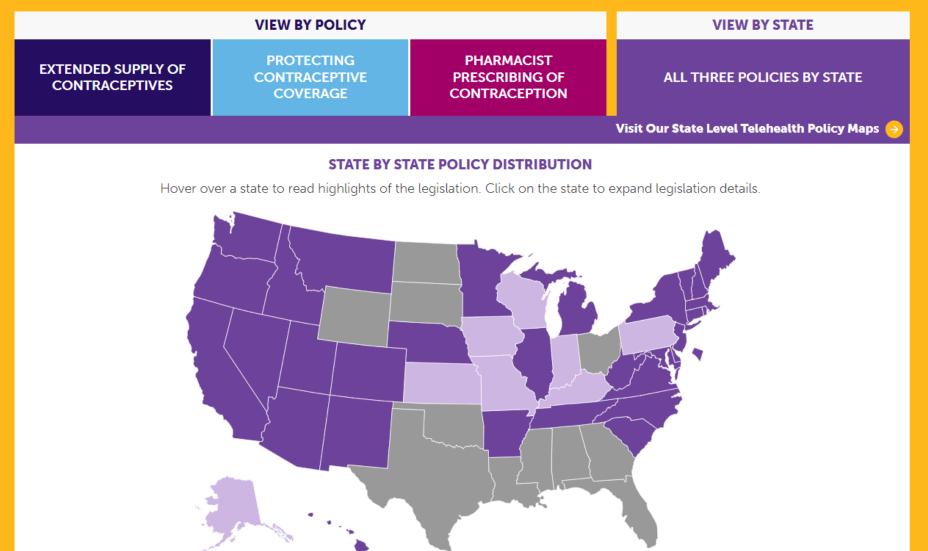
- 16 states including DC
- 2021: 8 additional states have pending legislation, including CA, where SB 523 passed one chamber

## **Pharmacist Prescribing of Contraception**



- 24 states incl. DC allow
- 2021: AR, AZ, DE, IL
   NC, NV passed laws

## **Interactive Reproductive Health Policy Maps**









### Follow-up Questions?

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# **Questions?**





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