

Patients Reproductive Health Act

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Patients Reproductive Health FACT SHEET

For the last few years, Wisconsin state legislators have eagerly pushed and passed policies that disregard and disrespect medical science, the wellbeing of patients, and the patient-doctor relationship. Wisconsin's legislature has passed laws based on political agendas and "junk science" meant to undermine access to reproductive health care. This unprecedented political interference with patients' personal health care decisions made with their trusted doctors is threatening women's health in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin patients and their health care providers deserve better!

The **Patients Reproductive Health Act** guarantees that patients have the right to make their own reproductive healthcare decisions free from harassment, intimidation, political interference, or false information. *That's something we can all believe in.*

Patient-Doctor
Relationship

- **Goal #1:** Prevents politicians from interfering with patients' health care and threatening the trusted patient-doctor relationship.

Medically
Accurate Care

- **Goal #2:** Ensures patients receive evidence-based care and medically accurate information and not laws based on "junk science" and political agendas.

Patients &
Providers Safety

- **Goal #3:** Guarantees patients are able to access comprehensive health care and health professionals are able to provide evidence-based health care free from harassment, intimidation and violence.

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The Patients Reproductive Health Act supports Wisconsin patients and healthcare professionals by:

KEEPING POLITICIANS OUT OF THE EXAM ROOM:

Politicians have no business interfering with patients' private medical decisions.

Most politicians aren't doctors and they don't have the medical education or training to dictate how physicians provide medical care. When politicians insert politics into the private relationship patients have with their doctors, it's bad medicine and bad for patient health. The Patients Reproductive Health Act gives patients the right to consult with their doctor and make their own reproductive healthcare decisions free from political interference.

ENSURING MEDICALLY ACCURATE CARE:

Patient care must be grounded in evidence-based, medically accurate science.

When patients seek care, doctors provide their expert opinions based on their medical and scientific training. Politicians put patients at risk when they force doctors to give information and care that is not supported by medical science. That's bad medicine. The Patients Reproductive Health Act ensures that when patients are making important decisions about their reproductive health, they can trust that their doctor is able to provide them with information based on the best medical science available.

ENSURING PATIENT AND PROVIDER SAFETY:

Patients deserve healthcare that is free of intimidation and violence for themselves, their families, and their health care providers.

We respect the right to a robust discussion about government policy, but harassment and intimidation are never justified and should never be tolerated. Making patients afraid to come in and see their doctor is unacceptable. Doctors should never be harassed, threatened, or intimidated for providing compassionate and comprehensive care to their patients. And patients should never be harassed and intimidated for seeking care. The Patients Reproductive Health Act holds those who engage in extremist tactics to harass, threaten, or harm reproductive health care providers or patients accountable for their unacceptable and frightening tactics.