

Supreme Court Decision a Victory for Women's Health and Rights

Decision Strikes Down Sham Texas Law That Cut Off Access to Safe Abortion Care

(Washington, DC) Today's Supreme Court ruling in [*Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt*](#) reaffirms a woman's constitutional right and ability—no matter where she lives—to make her own decisions about her health, family, and future. The Court's decision made clear that the onerous conditions on providers required by Texas' H.B. 2 placed an undue burden on the constitutional rights of the 5.4 million women of reproductive age in that state to obtain safe, legal abortion services.

Passed under the pretense of protecting women's health, H.B. 2 only created higher costs, longer delays, and extra steps for women seeking abortion care, all without any scientific or medical basis. Instead of improving patient care, this law undermined patient care.

With today's landmark decision, the Supreme Court of the United States has affirmed that every woman deserves compassion, respect, and dignity in making her own health decisions without needless barriers. The Supreme Court was right in rejecting this attempt to make an end run around the Constitution.

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