

# YES

## Abortion is Legal in Ohio

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**An Ohio court has placed a restraining order against the law that bans abortion after cardiac activity has been detected. Abortion is Still Legal in Ohio.**

**If you need abortion services, call your local clinic and they will help direct you to the services you need. You can find them via Abortion Finder or All Options.**

### **What is the Current Status of the Six-Week Abortion Ban?**

As of 9/14/22, Ohio has put a temporary injunction on a ban requiring patients to undergo tests that detect fetal heart tones prior to an abortion. We are able to serve patients through 21 weeks and 6 days gestation until further notice.

There are no current challenges to this injunction. On 12/7/2023, the Right to Reproductive Freedom Amendment went into effect, protecting reproductive choices including abortion.

Ohio abortion providers are pursuing a permanent injunction against the six-week abortion ban.

## **What is the Current Status of Mifepristone?**

As of right now, mifepristone can still be used in medication abortions up through nine weeks in Ohio. Mifepristone can also be used in miscarriage management.

On 03/26/2024, the Supreme Court heard oral arguments in FDA vs. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine, where the Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine and other anti-abortion groups argued that the current regulations around Mifepristone were unsafe. We will not hear a ruling in this case until later this year.

## **Are There Other Lawsuits Regarding Abortion?**

On 3/29/2024, the ACLU of Ohio filed a lawsuit on behalf of abortion providers challenging the 24-hour waiting period restriction.

In Ohio, patients must have an in-person consultation 24-hours before they are allowed to receive an abortion. This same law requires abortion providers to hand out state-mandated materials that discourage the patient from proceeding with their abortion. There is no medical need for these materials or the 24-hour waiting period.

The lawsuit argues that, under *The Right to Reproductive Freedom with Exceptions for Health and Safety* Amendment,

the 24-hour waiting period restriction is unconstitutional as it creates an undo burden on patients that prevents them from easily accessing reproductive healthcare.

Abortion providers are seeking a temporary injunction while the case plays out in court. As of right now, that request has not been granted and the 24-hour waiting period (and all related restrictions) remains in place.

# Where Can I Get an Abortion in Ohio?



## Cincinnati

Elizabeth  
Campbell  
Surgical  
Center  
(Planned  
Parenthood)  
[\(513\) 287-6488](tel:(513)287-6488)  
[www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)

## Columbus

Your Choice  
Healthcare of  
Columbus\*  
[\(614\) 927-0500](tel:(614)927-0500)  
[www.yourchoicecolumbus.com](http://www.yourchoicecolumbus.com)

East  
Columbus  
Health Center  
(Planned

## Northeast Ohio (Cleveland/Akron)

Bedford  
Heights  
Surgery  
Center  
(Planned  
Parenthood) -  
Bedford  
[\(440\) 232-9732](tel:(440)232-9732)  
[www.plannedparenthood.org](http://www.plannedparenthood.org)

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Northeast  
Ohio  
Women's  
Center -  
Cuyahoga  
Falls and  
Shaker  
Heights  
[\(330\) 923-](tel:(330)923-)

Parenthood)

[4009](#)

[\(614\) 222-](#)

[www.northea](#)

[3531](#)

[stohioabortio](#)

[www.planned](#)

[n.com](#)

[parenthood.o](#)

[rg](#)

Preterm -

Cleveland

[\(216\) 991-](#)

[4000](#)

[www.preterm](#)

[.org](#)

Women's

Med Center

[\(937\) 293-](#)

[3917](#)

[www.womens](#)

[med.com](#)

## Toledo

Toledo

Women's

Center\*

[\(419\) 478-](#)

[6801](#)

[www.toledoa](#)

[bortioncenter](#)

[.com](#)

\*Medication

Abortion

Only

## Need Support Paying For Your Abortion?

There's help. Organizations and clinics can help with financial and logistical support for people seeking abortions.

GET FUNDING SUPPORT

## What You Can Do Before You're Pregnant

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## Period Tracking

Even though abortion is legal in Ohio, tracking your period can still be a helpful tool to prevent pregnancy. It can help ensure you get reproductive care, like abortion, within the timeframe permitted by Ohio law. A missed period is often the first indication of pregnancy, so knowing if your period is late will become important in ensuring you can receive timely reproductive care.



Below is a list of resources you can use to help track your period. We know that there are concerns about period tracking phone apps collecting your data, which could be used as evidence against you should abortion become illegal. All resources listed below are either analog or digital apps whose privacy policies state that they are committed to not storing, selling, or giving away any of your period tracking data.

- [Euki](#) - A free period tracking phone app that provides comprehensive sexual and reproductive health information as well as period tracking all in one place, without stigma or worry of sharing your data with third parties (see their privacy policy [here](#)).
- [Cycle Journal](#) - A physical journal (purchase required) with templates to manually write out your period cycles. The journals contain symptom trackers, steps to predict your next cycle, and prompts to understand yourself and your period. Cost varies per journal.
- [Period tracking templates](#) - Free printable templates that you can customize to track your monthly cycles.

## Pregnancy Tests

Taking pregnancy tests once or twice a month can help prevent unwanted pregnancies. You can order pregnancy tests online, buy them from a local grocery or drug store, and

even get them for free at some clinics, including Preterm. If your test comes back positive, reach out to [Preterm](#), or the other health care providers listed on this site to figure out the next steps that are right for you.

## Birth Control

Period tracking can be difficult if you do not have regular periods. One way to take action to prevent pregnancy is by exploring different birth control options. Visit the [Bedsider website](#) to learn more about affordable birth controls that are right for you.

## Need Support Getting an Abortion?

There's help. Abortion funds and clinics can help with financial and logistical support for people seeking abortions.

[Get Funding Support](#) by clicking here.

## How Can I Support Abortion Access in Ohio?

### **Get Connected with the Many Organizations Fighting for Abortion Access in Ohio**

For years, Ohio politicians have been restricting abortion access in Ohio -- and now that the Supreme Court has ended federal protections for abortion, they're trying to eliminate it altogether. But we won't back down. Together, we're fighting back -- we're suing, we're funding abortion, we're organizing, and we're providing abortion care. Join us.

Sign up for email lists, and find out more about the work of the organizations protecting abortion access in Ohio.

SUPPORT  
ORGANIZATIONS

DONATE NOW

# Media Questions?

We are getting a lot of press inquiries about the latest attack on abortion access. Since this is such a sensitive topic, we ask that you please follow the FAQ and guidelines below before contacting abortion providers and abortion advocacy groups with press questions.

## MEDIA FAQ

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OHIO WOMEN'S ALLIANCE



## Protect Abortion Rights and Access in Ohio

## Proteger los derechos y el acceso al aborto en Ohio

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