

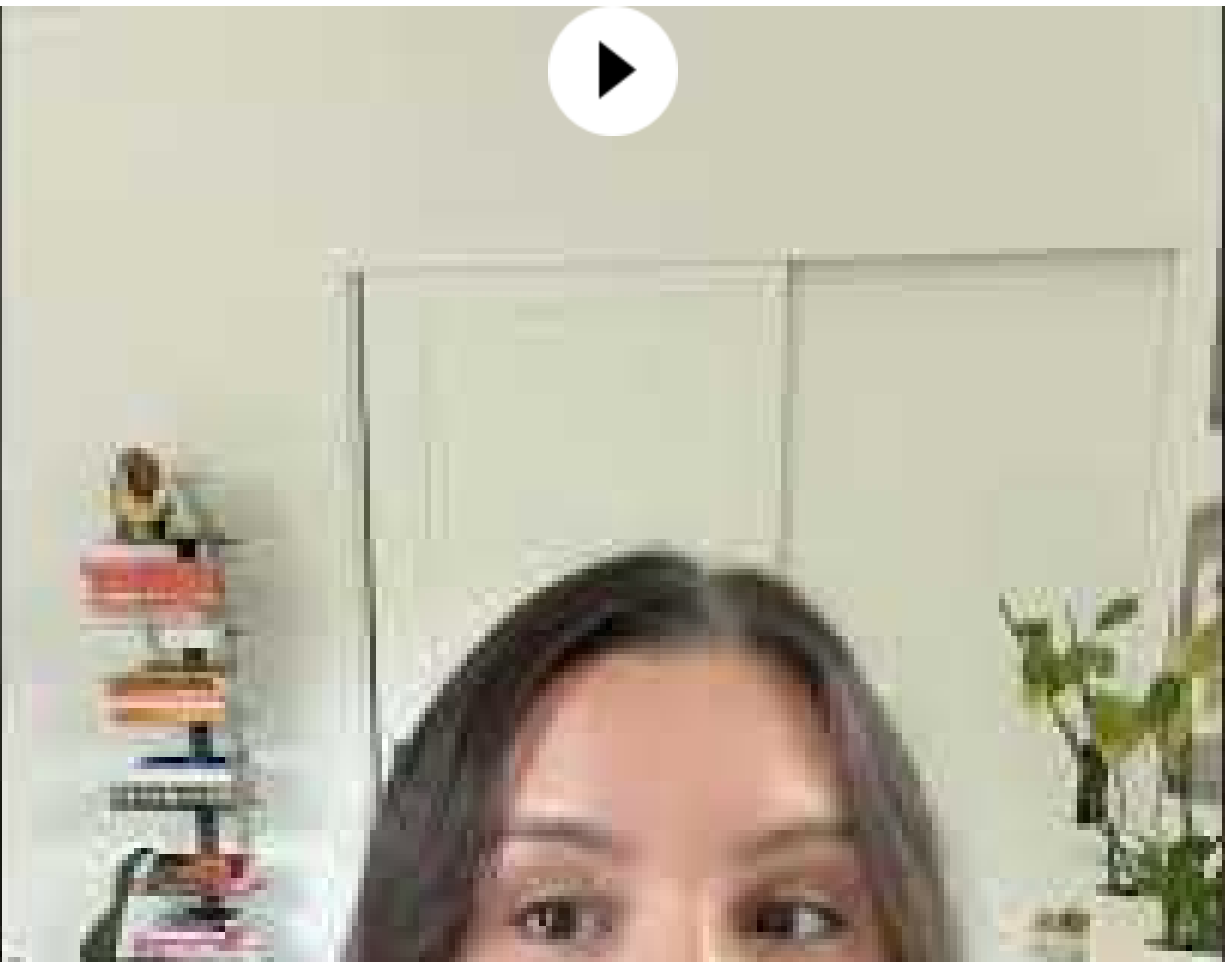
## Supreme Court Leaves Mifepristone Dispensing Through Mail and Pharmacies Intact, For Now

The U.S. Supreme Court has granted a stay of an order issued by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in *Louisiana v. FDA*, which had threatened access to mifepristone via telehealth and in pharmacies nationwide. This means that FDA's current rules, which allow people to receive mifepristone by mail or pharmacy, are now in place as the case proceeds on the merits.

As set forth in the [amicus brief](#) we submitted along with colleagues from ANSIRH and O'Melveny & Myers on behalf of 360 reproductive health researchers, the scientific evidence conclusively proves mifepristone is extremely safe and effective, including when provided by telehealth. And as UCLA Law CRHLP's executive director, Melissa Goodman, told the [Los Angeles Times](#), "To our knowledge, no court has ever ordered the FDA to reimpose on a drug a safety rule the agency has thoroughly studied and deemed unnecessary." CRHLP's expertise was also featured in stories in [Mother Jones](#) and [U.S. News and World Report](#), among others.

In our latest [video](#), Staff Attorney Cathren Cohen explains what the Court's stay means, what's still at stake in *Louisiana v. FDA*, and why ongoing litigation over mifepristone access is far from over.

Watch the video and explore our regularly updated [mifepristone litigation and policy tracker](#) to stay informed as the case moves forward.





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## Event Recap



Executive Director Melissa Goodman joined [4th Trimester](#) (formerly Mama2Mama) for *Motherhood in Crisis: Postpartum and Affordability*. Melissa joined experts from the National Council of Jewish Women and Black Girls Mental Health Collective to discuss the structural challenges new parents experience and the potential of unconditional cash programs to support families during the postpartum period. You can learn more about the promise of these growing programs across the country in our policy brief [Unconditional Cash Transfers for Pregnant and Newly Parenting People](#).

## Policy News

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The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has launched a new federal website, that, with taxpayer dollars, promotes anti-abortion pregnancy centers (AACs) as resources for pregnant people and new parents. The site links users to Option Line, a network that directs people to ACCs. Experts have also [raised concerns](#) that the site advances broader anti-abortion, anti-contraception, and [pronatalist messaging](#) through its emphasis on “natural family planning,” and religious and moral objections to vaccines and reproductive health care. The launch of the website comes amid broader federal efforts by the Trump Administration to reshape reproductive health policy, including [proposed changes](#) to the Title X family planning program which would redirect federal funds away from increasing access to contraception and instead towards efforts to [“strengthen family formation.”](#)

## Legal News

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A Montana district court [has rejected](#) a legal challenge to Constitutional Initiative 128, the 2024 voter-approved constitutional amendment protecting abortion access in the state. The lawsuit argued that the amendment was invalid because its full text did not appear on the ballot, but the court found no such requirement under the Montana Constitution and upheld the measure's validity. The ruling marks the third failed legal attempt to overturn the amendment, which passed decisively in November 2024 and enshrined abortion protections into the state constitution. To learn more about Montana and other state constitutional amendments protecting abortion and reproductive rights more broadly, read our report [The Promise of Reproductive Freedom Amendments](#).

## Food for Thought

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With so much going on in the world of reproductive health, law, and policy, every week we'll share articles, books, and media you might have missed.

[A Dangerous Shift In Maternal Health Policy](#)

[Alabama Woman Sues Alleging She Gave Birth On Prison Floor As Guards Watched](#)

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