

INTERFORM

Joint Statement on Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization Decision

Last week's Supreme Court decision overturning Roe v. Wade is a cruel attack on women, pregnant people, people who want to get pregnant, people who can experience pregnancy, and anyone who needs access to reproductive care. It is also an alarming attack on our collective freedom, our right to privacy, and our bodily autonomy. Make no mistake. This decision impacts us all.

The consequences of this decision are already impacting girls, women, families, and communities across the state of Arkansas. On Friday afternoon, just hours after the Supreme Court decision was released, the state Attorney General certified 2019 "trigger ban" legislation, making abortions almost completely banned in our state. As with too many other injustices, this will have particularly devastating impacts on people of color, rural communities, young people, and people who are having trouble making ends meet.

We are disappointed. We are heartbroken. We are angry. And as a coalition, we will continue using our voices and resources to support women, uplift the experiences of those most impacted, and fight for basic human rights and dignity. We call on individuals, organizations, and businesses across our Northwest Arkansas community and the entire state of Arkansas to do the same.

- INTERFORM will be hosting an informational In Conversation event on reproductive rights on Wednesday, June 29th at 6:30 virtually on their social media.
- INTERFORM is creating an HR policy document that will be made publicly available that codifies the organizational stance on travel protection for individuals needing travel assistance for abortion rights.
- CACHE and INTERFORM will host an organizational leadership discussion on the options for political speech within non-profit organizations and make our information publicly available.

The journey to equality and dignity for all isn't over until we stop fighting.

Co-signed by

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