

Policy and clinical contexts of abortion access

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Youth Abortion Study

- Explore young people's access to and experiences with medication abortion
- Describe the role of structural factors, i.e., PI requirements, in medication abortion access and use

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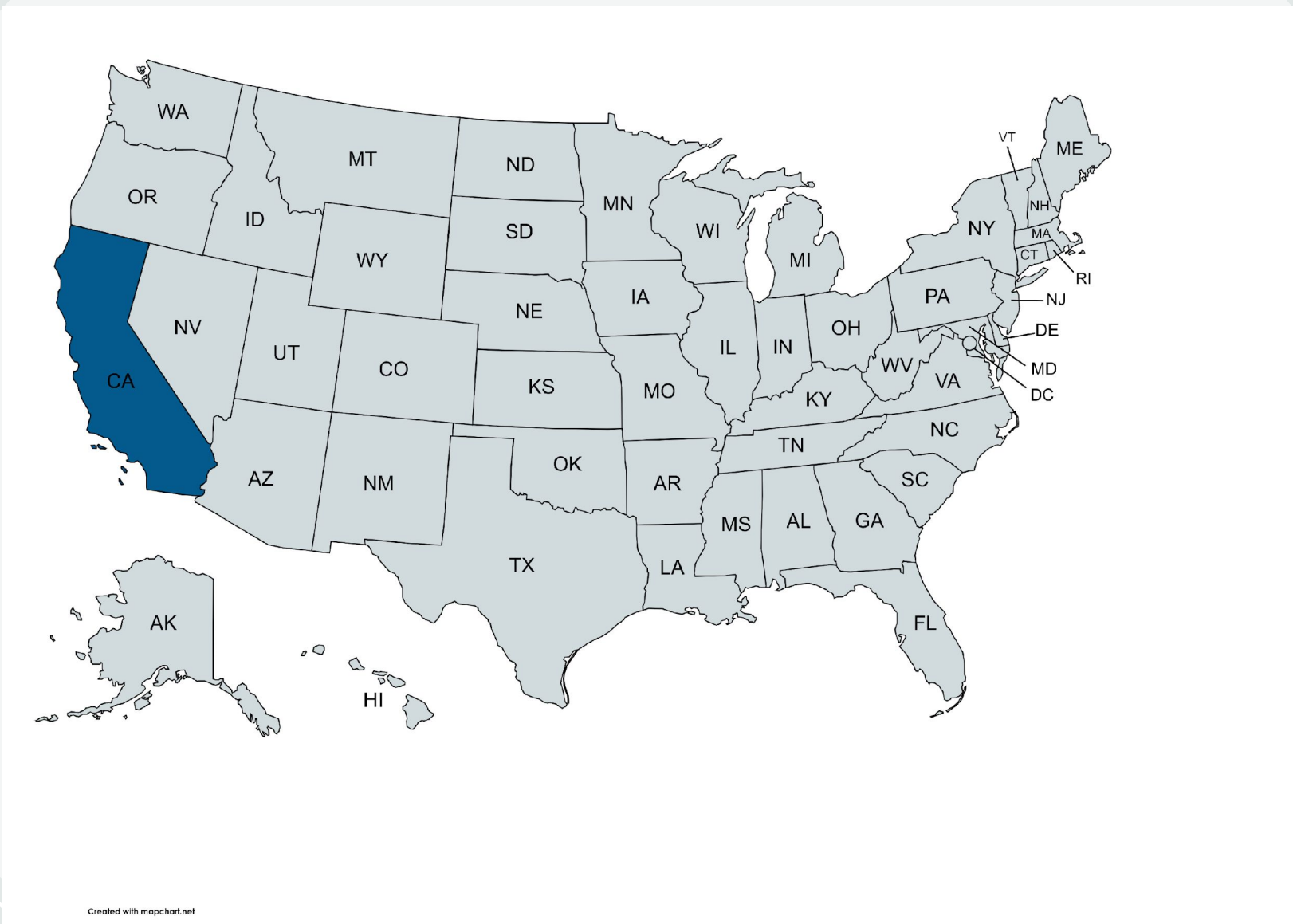


Youth Abortion Study

- Qualitative interviews
- Young people who had or considered abortion between 13-17 years old & 18-22 years old
- 25-30 interviews in 4 states

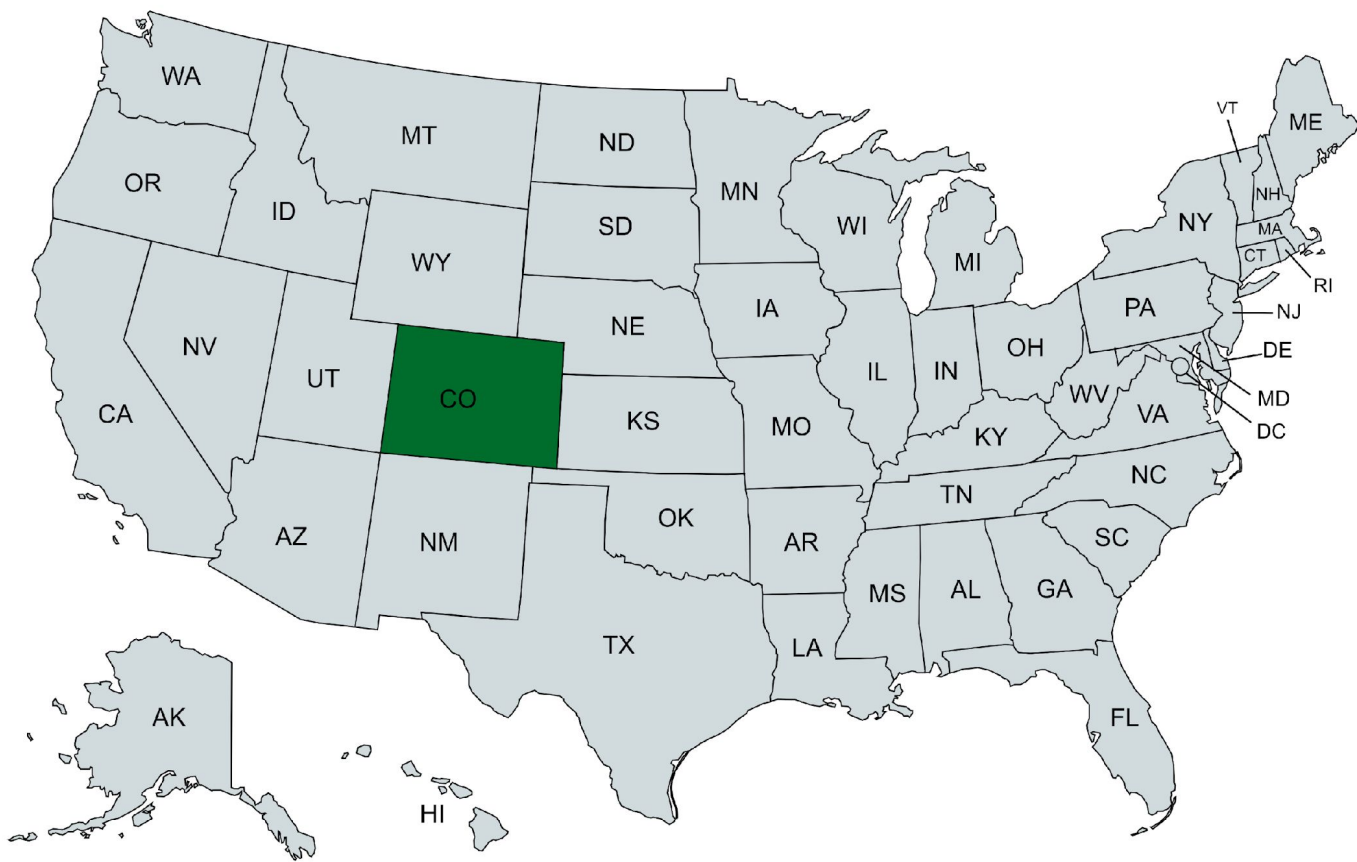
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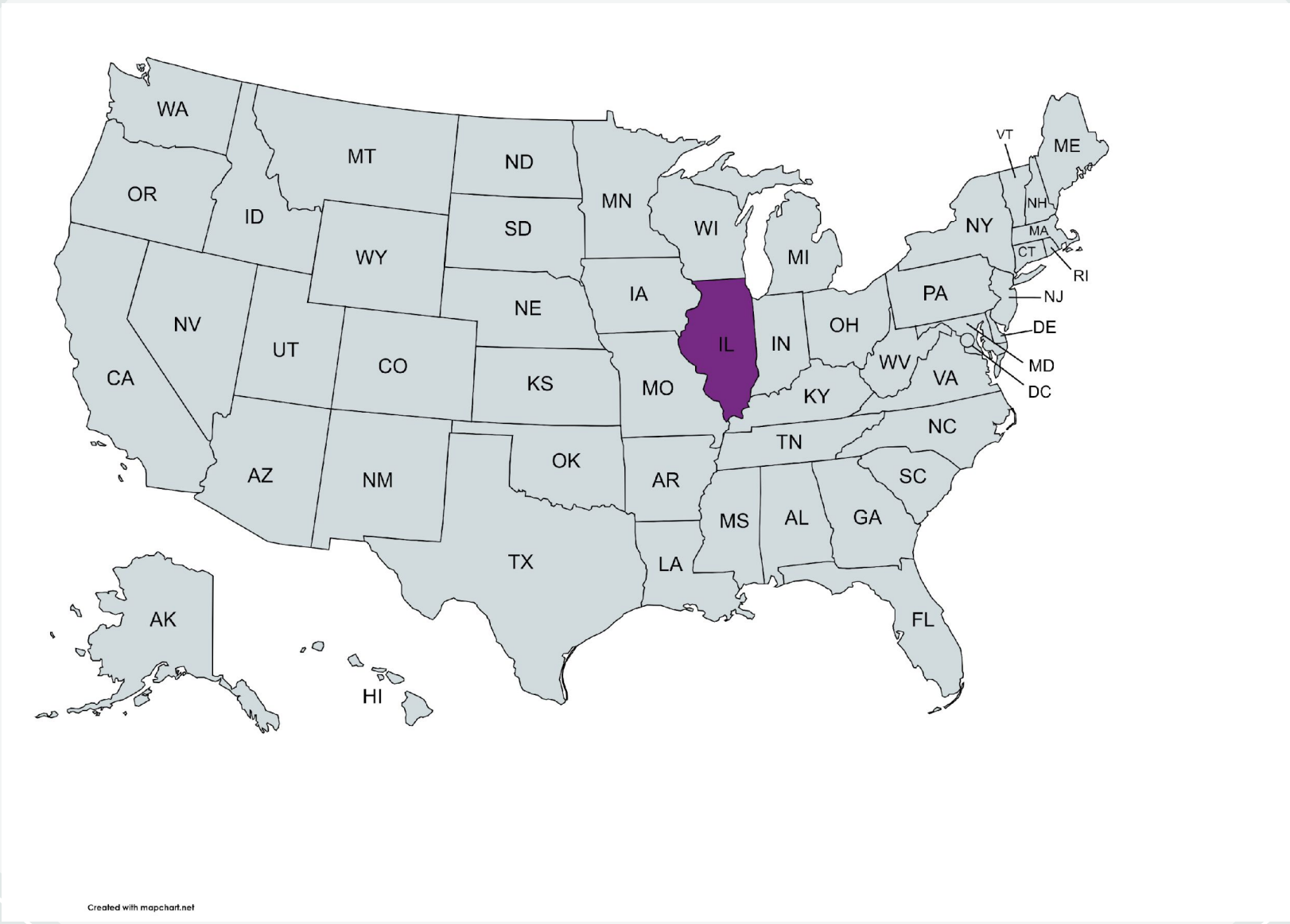


- **No parental involvement law**
- **State Medicaid covers abortion care**



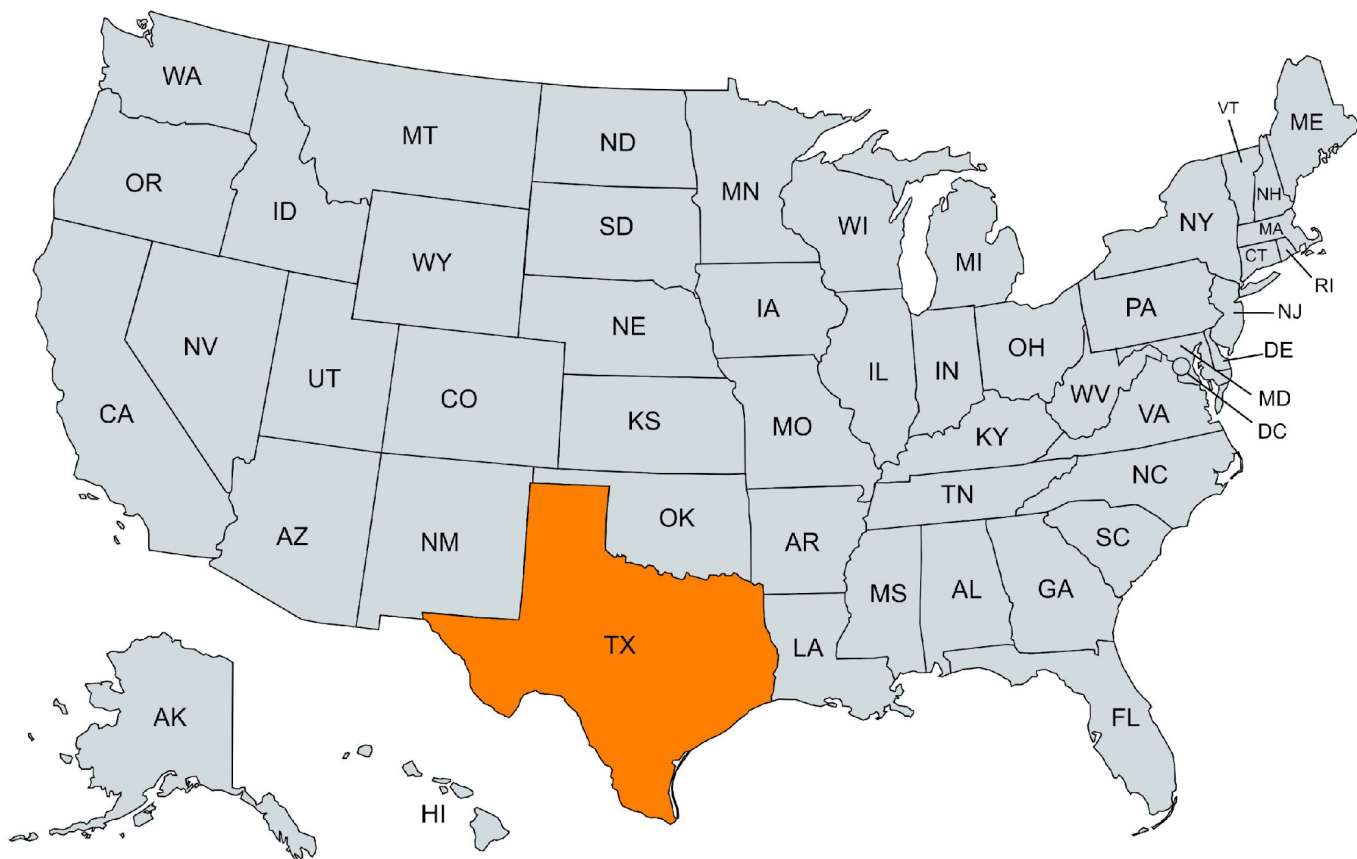


- **Parental notification required**
- **State Medicaid does *not* cover abortion care**





- **Parental notification required**
(until 7/2022)
- **State Medicaid covers abortion care**





- Parental consent required
- State Medicaid does *not* cover abortion care
- No access to abortion after 6 weeks (since 9/2021)

Youth Abortion Study

- 27 Colorado interviews completed, need 4 more!
- 3 California completed interviews
- Start Texas this month

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Thanks!

**Advanced
practice
clinicians
(APCs)**

Stratified random sample of APCs in
Colorado (2018–19)

Reproductive health knowledge,
attitudes, and practices

N=513 (response rate 21%)



Original Article

Interest in Medication and Aspiration Abortion Training among Colorado Nurse Practitioners, Nurse Midwives, and Physician Assistants

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- 12% of APCs aware they can legally provide abortion
- 45% are interested or possibly interested in medication abortion
- 31% are interested or possibly interested in aspiration abortion



Original Research

Pregnancy Options Counseling and Abortion Referral Practices Among Colorado Nurse Practitioners, Nurse-Midwives, and Physician Assistants

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- 48% of APCs are willing & able to provide pregnancy options counseling
- Lack of knowledge main reason for unwillingness & inability to counsel
- 31% refer to crisis pregnancy centers