

Supreme Court Overturns Roe v Wade

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29, 2022 – We, the leadership of the San Francisco Health Plan (SFHP), are dismayed by the 6-3 ruling of the U.S. Supreme Court in *Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health* which has overturned the longstanding and significant precedent of *Roe v. Wade*.

The *Dobbs* ruling rescinds the federal protection of the right to safe and effective abortions and leaves people's reproductive health under the jurisdiction of various state laws.

California has codified the right to an abortion. In 2002, California passed a law that guaranteed a person's right to choose. Abortions are legal under any circumstances in law up to the time of fetal viability. After fetal viability, an abortion may be performed to protect the life or health of the pregnant person.

SFHP respects the reproductive rights of ALL its members and will continue to stand with persons choosing to terminate their pregnancy regardless of the reason. SFHP covers abortion services for all of its Medi-Cal enrollees and will continue to authorize this important service to ensure that all our members are free from barriers to safe and effective reproductive health care.

We will continue to support our network of providers and staff, many of whom never expected to face a challenge like this in their careers and are deeply affected by the news.

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About San Francisco Health Plan

San Francisco Health Plan (SFHP) has a rating of 4 out of 5 in NCQA's Medicaid Health Plan Ratings 2021. SFHP is a licensed community health plan providing affordable health coverage to over 160,000 low- and moderate-income families residing in San Francisco. SFHP is designed for and by the residents it serves—many of whom would not be able to otherwise obtain health care for themselves or their families. Through SFHP, members have access to a full spectrum of medical services including preventive care, hospitalization, prescription drugs, family planning, and substance abuse programs. SFHP's mission is to improve health outcomes of the diverse San Francisco communities through successful partnerships. San Francisco Health Plan is also the third-party administrator for the nationally recognized Healthy San Francisco program. For more information on SFHP, visit www.sfhp.org.

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