

Summary Report

TRAP Laws – Abortion Facility Licensing Requirements

One of the ways abortion facilities are regulated is through abortion facility licensing requirements. In many states, abortion providers face facility licensing requirements that are not required of similar medical providers. This dataset is longitudinal, displaying laws in effect from August 1, 2016 through October 1, 2021. Additional maps and tables are available by visiting www.lawatlas.org.

	Abortion Facility Licensing Requirements In total, 23 states impose facility licensing requirements specifically on abortion providers which are more stringent than regulations that apply to facilities which perform similar medical procedures. Jurisdictions: 23 (AL, AR, AZ, CT, FL, GA, IN, KS, KY, LA, MD, MS, MO, NC, NE, NJ, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT)
	Hospital Transfer Requirements Twenty-three states impose requirements related to hospital transfers. Possible requirements include transfer agreements, transfer plans or protocols, and admitting privileges. Jurisdictions: 23 (AL, AZ, AR, FL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MD, MS, MO, NE, NJ, NC, ND, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, WI)
	Law Limited in Whole or in Part Eight states have had their abortion facility laws limited in whole or in part by court decision as of October 1, 2021. Jurisdictions: 8 (AL, IN, KS, LA, MS, OK, TX, WI)