



WE ARE HERE TO HELP! FILE A COMPLAINT

If you believe that you have been treated in an unfair, unjust, or discriminatory manner, please reach out to the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General Health Care Section to file a complaint.

File Online:

www.attorneygeneral.gov

Request a Complaint Form:

1-877-888-4877

(weekdays between the hours of 8:30 am - 5 pm)

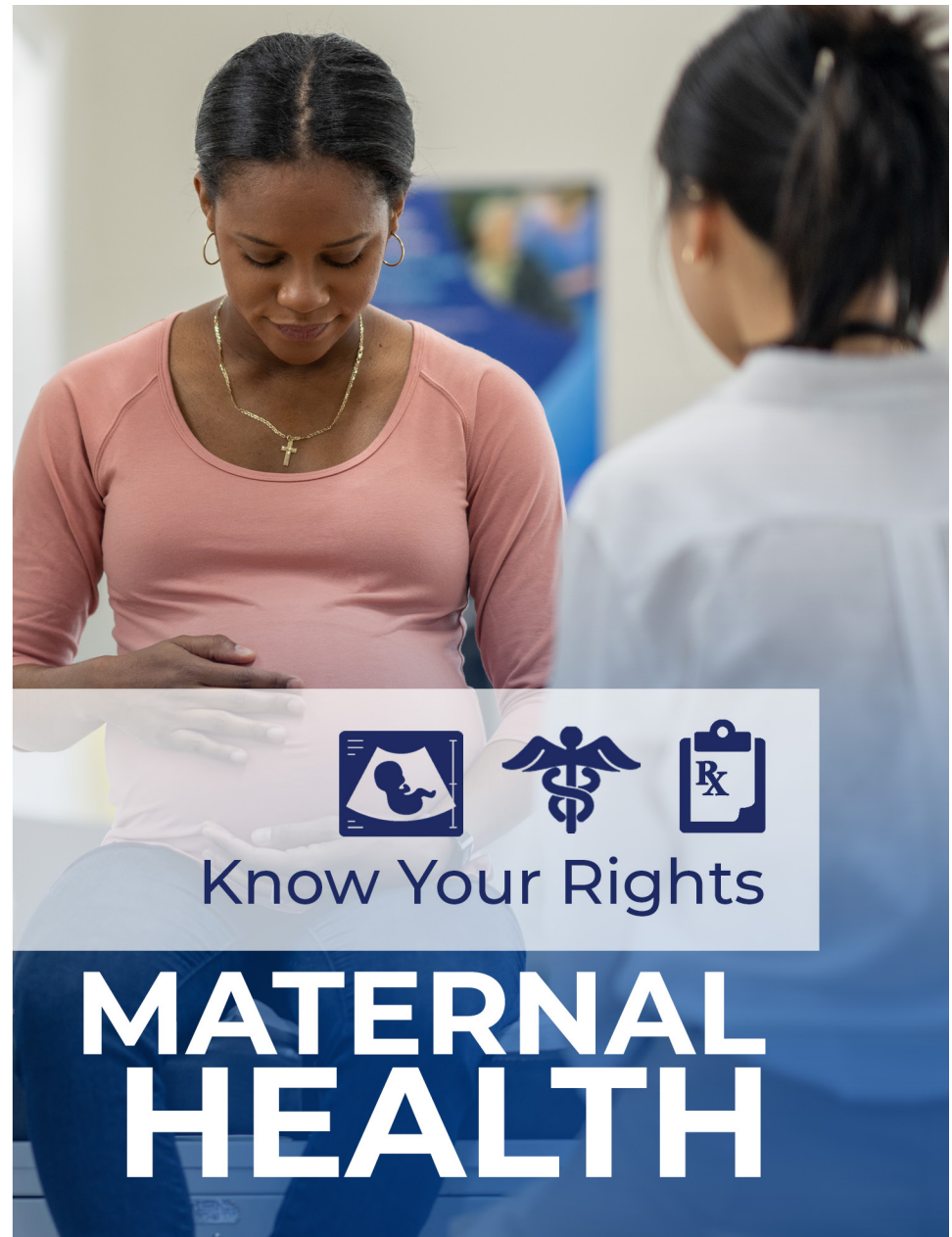
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healthcare@attorneygeneral.gov



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Know Your Rights

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During a pregnancy you have enough to worry about from keeping you and your baby healthy to getting your home ready to welcome them into it. This pamphlet and the Office of Attorney General's Healthcare section is here to inform you about your rights and ensure that they are protected.

My office works to ensure that rights of pregnant women are upheld throughout their pregnancy and beyond in order to improve access to healthcare throughout the Commonwealth. If you are concerned that you are not able to get the care you need, do not hesitate to contact our office and file a complaint.

Access to fair, equal, and adequate pregnancy-related care is a fundamental right for every Pennsylvanian.



During your pregnancy, you have the right to:

- Ask questions about your care and be given clear information about the risks, benefits, and cost of any procedure, test, or treatment
 - This includes the right to receive this information in a language that you can understand
- End care with your current provider and choose a new physician or midwife
- Say “no” to allowing medical students to observe or participate in your care
- Receive care from a hospital during a medical emergency, regardless of your ability to pay
 - This means that you can deliver your baby in a hospital, even if you do not have health insurance
- Privacy when receiving care and speaking with health providers
- Have your cultural and religious background respected by providers
- Deny monitoring during labor that would restrict your movement
 - This includes the right to labor and give birth in the position that you choose
- Decide who can be in the delivery room with you during your birth as a support person (ex: family, friend, doula)
- Receive fair and equal care regardless of your race, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, income, age, disability, or religion