

# Abortion Rights Are Disability Rights!

**Abortion supports disabled people's autonomy.** Access to all reproductive health care options empowers people to make decisions about their bodies and futures. People with disabilities have been and continue to be systematically denied this right because of forced sterilization, limits on marriage, restrictive conservatorships, and institutionalization. Ensuring access to abortion protects our freedom to make our own choices about our bodies, our futures, and our families.

**Abortion is essential health care.** Abortion can save a person's life when they experience medical complications during pregnancy. People with disabilities are just as likely to become pregnant as non-disabled people but are at higher risk of serious medical complications. Right now, disabled people are 11 times more likely to die during childbirth. Access to potentially life-saving emergency abortion care is essential for us.

## Abortion is On the Ballot in New York!

**Proposition 1:** Amends New York state constitution's civil rights amendment to include anti-discrimination protections for pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, and reproductive healthcare.

**Current abortion policy:** Protects abortion until viability (usually ~24 weeks). Exceptions to viability limit for protecting the life or health of the pregnant person, or if the fetus is not viable.

**Voter registration deadline:**

**October 26, 2024**

for in person, by mail, and online voting

