

After Roe: Legal Aftermath at the State Level
A Webinar

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ELLEN WRIGHT CLAYTON, MD, JD, is a Professor of Pediatrics, Law, and Health Policy at Vanderbilt University Medical Center and Vanderbilt University. She is an internationally recognized expert on issues related to genomics, research ethics, as well as children's and women's health. She practiced general pediatrics for 20 years. She teaches bioethics and law, genetics and law, and reproductive justice. She is a member of NAM, from which she received the David Rall medal. She is a graduate of Duke University, Stanford University, Yale Law School, and Harvard Medical School. She has chaired two committees on Title X Family Planning, one on sex trafficking, one on ME/CFS, and is a founding member of the [Standing Committee on Reproductive Health, Equity, and Society](#) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

JOIA A. CREAR-PERRY, MD, FACOG, is the Founder and President of National Birth Equity Collaborative. Dr. Crear-Perry is a physician, policy expert, thought leader, and advocate for transformational justice who identifies and challenges racism as a root cause of health inequities. She is a highly sought-after trainer and speaker who has been featured in national and international publications, including *Essence* and *Ms.* magazines. She has addressed the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to urge a human rights framework and intersectionality to improve maternal mortality. Previously, she served as the Executive Director of the Birthing Project USA, Director of Women's and Children's Services at Jefferson Community Health Care Centers, and Director of Clinical Services for the New Orleans Health Department. A proud recipient of the Congressional Black Caucus Healthcare Heroes award, Dr. Crear-Perry currently serves on the Board of Trustees for Community Catalyst, Taproot Earth, and UNCF Preterm Birth Initiative. Dr. Crear-Perry completed her medical degree at Louisiana State University and her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Tulane University School of Medicine. She was also recognized as a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

JESSIE HILL, JD, is the Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development and Judge Ben C. Green Professor of Law at Case Western Reserve University School of Law. Ms. Hill's teaching focuses on constitutional law, civil rights, reproductive rights, and law and religion. Prior to teaching, Professor Hill worked at the Reproductive Freedom Project of the national ACLU office in New York, litigating challenges to state-law restrictions on reproductive rights, and then practiced First Amendment and civil rights law with a small law firm in Cleveland. She is a frequent lecturer and consultant on reproductive rights issues and is currently involved in litigating numerous challenges to abortion restrictions in Ohio.

FRAN LINKIN, MPH, is Director of Reproductive Rights Research at SiX State Innovation Exchange. Fran's sixteen year career in reproductive rights and health spans the fields of public health, policy, and advocacy. As Director of Research she works to connect reproductive health researchers and state legislators to improve knowledge and inform evidence based policy. Since 2019, Fran has maintained mutually beneficial relationships with public health, social science and clinical researchers and providers of abortion care across the country- creating unique spaces for state legislators, researchers, and healthcare providers to learn and build with one another. Prior to joining SiX, Fran was the Senior Manager of Research at the Center for Reproductive Rights where she served a bridging role between the public health/social science/clinical research world and the state and national policy/legal work of the Center on dozens of campaigns and cases, including *Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt*. Fran

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received her Master of Public Health from Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health in 2013 where she focused her studies on the impact of abortion and family planning restrictions in the states with the Texas Policy Evaluation Project. Fran recently served four years as co-chair of the Abortion Taskforce at the American Public Health Association from 2018-2022.

LAURIE SOBEL, JD, is an Associate Director for Women's Health Policy at KFF. Laurie's work addresses the impact of major health policy issues on women and girls, with an emphasis on insurance coverage and regulation, access to care, and low-income populations. In particular, her work explores how federal, state, and local policies, and the courts influence access to reproductive and preventive health services for women. Over the past ten years, Laurie has led the team's work tracking the implementation of the contraceptive services and abortion coverage regulations and legal challenges. Prior to joining KFF, she was a Senior Attorney at Consumers Union focused on health policy issues. Early in her career, she was a legal aid lawyer representing Medicaid patients.