

Causeway Medical Clinic Closes, Leaving Only Four Abortion Clinics in Louisiana (February 2016)

Most women in the United States go to terminate a pregnancy at an independent abortion care provider; yet, we know independently-owned clinics are closing at alarming rates. Causeway Medical Clinic in Metairie offered compassionate and quality abortion care for 40 years, and was one of just two clinics in the state that offered later abortion care up to 20 weeks. Its closure is a terrible loss for our community. Now, with just four clinics in the state, women will have to travel further and delay them from getting an appointment.

According to the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, some 10,000 women have abortions in Louisiana. With fewer clinics, clinics will be put under additional pressure and possibly not able to meet the demand. When anti-choice legislation was enacted in Texas, women were not able to obtain the abortion care they needed and there were confirmed reports of self-induced abortion. Louisiana is heading in the same direction.