Our Goal: Every person should be able to get a safe, legal abortion, no matter who they are or where they live. We aim to foster an environment in which equal and equitable access to abortion is a reality for all people across the state, with a focus on expanding abortion services in Southeastern MA.

- Medically unnecessary, discriminatory barriers have restricted access to abortion in the Commonwealth for decades.
  - In 2020, PPLM's political arm, the Planned Parenthood Advocacy Fund, successfully campaigned to remove barriers to care from Massachusetts state law:
    - Young people aged 16 and 17 no longer need a parent’s permission or a court order to access abortion care. Those under 16 who need a judge’s permission can petition for it remotely.
    - People facing fatal fetal diagnosis later in pregnancy no longer need to leave the state for abortion care.
- Many barriers to abortion care remain. The current geographic and systemic barriers, rooted in discrimination and stigma, deny people in Massachusetts abortion care, bodily autonomy, and true reproductive freedom.
- Addressing this health injustice is a part of our mission. Working in coalition, PPLM is pursuing every opportunity to remove these barriers and make Massachusetts a state in which every person can access the care they need without shame, stigma, or delay.

BARNSTABLE, DUKES, NANTUCKET, AND PLYMOUTH COUNTIES have not had an abortion provider since 2008.

SOME PATIENTS must travel 100 MILES OR MORE TO ACCESS CARE.

PEOPLE UNDER 16 MUST HAVE A PARENT’S PERMISSION OR OBTAIN A COURT ORDER TO ACCESS ABORTION CARE.

AN ABORTION TYPICALLY COSTS BETWEEN $500 AND $800 WITHOUT HEALTH INSURANCE.
In collaboration with community partners, PPLM seeks to improve abortion access for everyone.

PPLM IS ACTIVELY WORKING TO:

- **Build and sustain** public support for expanded abortion access and reduce abortion stigma, with a focus on Southeastern Massachusetts.
- **Reduce** financial barriers to telehealth services.
- **Expand** its patient navigation program to connect patients to providers, abortion funds, and other supportive services.
- **Build community** with fellow providers, grassroots leaders, and community organizations in Southeastern Massachusetts.
- **Support efforts** to improve abortion access in Southeastern Massachusetts, including including site-to-site and direct-to-patient telemedication abortion
- **Advocate** for the passage of state legislation removing medically unnecessary and discriminatory barriers to abortion.