

Supreme Court Decision on Abortion Rights – Overturning Roe v. Wade *Mount Sinai's Commitment to Equal Access to Reproductive Health Care*

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We are outraged by the Supreme Court's recent decision to restrict abortion access and deeply concerned about the many harms it will inflict upon the impacted patients, their families, and communities across the country. While we respect that there is diversity of opinion on the ruling, we fully support access to safe, non-discriminatory abortion care and remain steadfast in our commitment to providing comprehensive reproductive health care and creating a sanctuary for people in need of these essential health care services.

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We are profoundly disheartened by this decision. We firmly believe that abortion is an essential medical service and that all significant medical decisions should be made by patients in consultation with their health care providers. Furthermore, equal access to reproductive services including termination of pregnancy is an essential component of overall health equity, and can be especially important to preserving the life and health of those experiencing high-risk pregnancies. Please know that New York State has comprehensive laws protecting the right to safe and legal abortion, and Mount Sinai strongly supports that right. We will continue to provide the full range of health care services to any patient who seeks our care. We also are fully committed to our staff and faculty who provide abortions, to protecting access to these services for all our employees and their covered dependents, and to continuing our research and education programs related to these services.