PHARMACIST PRESCRIVING OF HORMONAL BIRTH CONTROL

As of November 30, 2020

18 States Allow Pharmacists to Prescribe Self-Administered Hormonal Birth Control (e.g. Pills, Patch, Ring, Shot)*

In 12 of these states, pharmacist prescribed birth control has been implemented and is available at participating pharmacies.1

6 of these states are working to implement the law.

See the live map: https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/access/state-policy/rh-access-policies/pharmacist-prescribing

Similar Participation Rates from Rural and Urban Pharmacies in New Mexico and Oregon2

Wide Adoption in Oregon Demonstrates the Promise of Expanding Pharmacist Prescribing in Other States

Women receiving contraception from a pharmacist were more likely to be younger, uninsured, and have less education than women seeing clinicians4

New Research from Oregon, California, Colorado, and Hawaii Suggests Pharmacist Prescribing is Filling a Gap

4 Women On Why They Choose to Go to a Pharmacist to Get Birth Control

“My prescription had run out and I don’t have a doctor to fill it. The pharmacist was just able to take care of it- super easy and convenient.”

“My HMO assigned doctor is impossible to get in to see”

“I don’t like to miss work to see the doctor.”

“I don’t have health insurance and this is a lot cheaper than going to a clinic. Doctors visit is 300 dollars out of pocket, pharmacist filling prescription is 35.”

For more info, see: https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/pharmacist-prescribing-hormonal-birth-control

1 Participation rate varies by state. Find a participating pharmacist at https://www.birthcontrolpharmacies.com/