



Progress Report

Project: WRRAP Abortion Pills by Mail Program
Project Reporting Dates: From : 7/01/22 To: 12/31/22
Project Leader: Sylvia Ghazarian, Executive Director - Women's Reproductive Rights Action Project

Summarize Project – Include what the deliverable is and who is key in making sure it is achieved

The WRRAP Abortion Pills by Mail program works with telehealth providers in key states across the country, providing pills to low-income women seeking to terminate an unwanted pregnancy through WRRAP's financial assistance. This project has become critically important in the days following the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade, due to three major advantages over clinic procedures - access, cost and privacy for women.

Funding through the Forix Foundation was earmarked to directly cover televisits with providers, medications and shipping for approximately 66 low-income women, running from July through December 2022. As the largest national, independent, nonprofit abortion fund assisting patients from coast to coast, WRRAP is seen as a leader in the post-Roe era and is being depended on as never before. Smaller local abortion funds have been running out of money due to the greatly increased costs involved in women needing to travel from their states of residence to reproductive sanctuary states. As they do, WRRAP must step in to serve those women. The Abortion Pill by Mail Program is anticipated to serve an increasing role in addressing this gap.

Key to this project is WRRAP Executive Director, Sylvia Ghazarian, who administers the program; and WRRAP's bookkeeper and hotline volunteers, who answered the requests for assistance from approved providers and paid the invoices on behalf of their patients.

Progress - List steps which have been achieved and to what end up to the date of this report. List issues that have arisen which may have (or maybe will occur) which will impact, either positively or negatively the outcome of the project.

We have now achieved the goals of the project. Since April of 2022, WRAPP has worked with 8 telehealth providers in 19 states through this innovative project, providing their patients with the ability to access safe, convenient and private pregnancy termination without interference. All practitioners are licensed and vetted. Most are midwives, nurses or doctors in private practice.

We have an established relationship with Aid Access to supply the pills at a discounted rate. Recently, the woman who started Aid Access, Dr. Rebecca Gomperts, was presented with a Woman of the Year Award from Glamour Magazine for the foresight and leadership she had in setting up this system of abortion pill provision for women.



WRRAP has paid a total of 1,633 invoices to date, totaling \$142,697; 1,139 of these invoices were paid during the grant period of 7/01/22 to 11/02/2022. Please note that this report is being submitted prior to the end of the grant period on 12/31/22. We are grateful to report that the Forix Foundation's funding personally supported 66 low-income women, a number that was reached on 7/28/22.

Staffing - Account for staffing which has affected the project: who is involved, what needs are going unmet, if any, and the dollar cost of any additional personnel required.

Staffing has involved WRRAP's Executive Director and Bookkeeper, as well as multiple hotline volunteers. No needs are going unmet at this time due to additional funding for the project, and no personnel have been added.

Budget - Attach a copy of the original budget and account for what portion has been used on each item. While the 'burn rate' is sometimes heavier at the start of the project, please flag any items which are creating risks for the project or if there has been a need to reallocate funds within the project.

Updated Financial Report against original Program Budget is attached.

Other Funding - If there are any problems with other sources of funding for the project at this time that should also be noted here.

WRRAP has received support for the Abortion Pills by Mail Program from two anonymous sources for a total of \$120,000; this funding has been received as pledged. One of the two sources has provided an additional \$50,000 in funding after seeing the impact the program is having. This gift was designed with a one-to-one match requirement, and we are in the process of fundraising to secure the match.

Milestones Current - Discuss milestones and/or actionable items which have been achieved at the writing of this report. Flag issues, if any, which came up in achieving this goal.

- To date, WRRAP has provided abortion pills to providers on behalf of 1,635 women in 12 key states
- We identified and vetted licensed providers in 12 key states
- WRRAP has become the leader in funding abortion pills by mail because of the success of this pilot.
- Our pill supplier has been presented with a Woman of the Year Award from Glamour for her work to set up the system we are utilizing.
- The Guttmacher Institute reports that the majority of women accessing medication abortion already have children. Most are financially in an untenable personal or financial situation, and the majority of women are BIPOC.



Milestones Future - List milestones and/or actionable items expected to be completed by the next reporting period. If any complications are expected, raise them here as well as any possible resolutions.

- WRRAP anticipates serving 6,700 patients in 2023.
- We are in the process of adding six more providers for a total of 15.
- We are looking into Advanced Provision, a system wherein abortion pills are provided to patients in advance, so that they have pills on hand in the event of an unplanned pregnancy. Those in areas hostile to abortion are more likely to want to prepare in advance.

Opinion - The project leader should include his/her analysis on the overall progress of the project, weigh in with any issues or variations which have occurred or are expected to occur. Include the next date of reporting due, if applicable. Photo inclusions are encouraged whenever possible.

Project Leader Sylvia Ghazarian reports that the project has been extremely successful. We have served even more women through our providers than originally anticipated and are planning for expansion of the program during 2023.

Receipts – Original receipts against expenditures should be provided. Where actual receipts are not available, please delineate. Just a spreadsheet with a cost breakdown, while appreciated, is not sufficient.

Unfortunately, due to both HIPAA regulations and safety issues in the very volatile climate around abortion, we are unable to provide receipts, as each contains identifying information on both patients and providers. We have attached an anonymized spreadsheet of all patients served since the initiation of the project, and this is the only information we will be able to provide at this time.

This report should be received within 5 days of the end of reporting period.