The Importance of Women's Rights in Healthcare:

Zoe Kozola Department of Psychology Psych 1000, General Psychology Pham December 8, 2023 Women's rights in healthcare have been repeatedly stripped away. The right to what happens to one's own body isn't much of a choice anymore. Even when it's more focused around women's health, the government makes the choice. A government mainly filled with men who have no idea what it's like to be a woman.

The first reason why I believe that women should have a choice is the health risks pregnancy can pose to the mother. Some of these being an increased chance of creating blood clots, sepsis, hemorrhaging resulting in death, and more. Not to mention that uncomforts pregnancy can bring such as nausea, headaches, joint pain, etc. Choosing to bring a life into this world is risky, and no one should be able to make that decision for someone.

The second reason why I think abortion should be available is the health risks and quality of life the child will face. If a woman is pregnant with an ill child who'd need care their entire life, one needs to think of the quality of that person's life. Not to mention a sick fetus who has a low survival rate. Some parents might not want to face birth and prepare to leave without a child.

The third reason I believe that the choice in healthcare is important is the question of who is pregnant. Child brides and rape victims should not be forced to carry a child they don't want and wouldn't be able to care for. That also goes along with women who are homeless, addicts, not financially able to provide, and more. When it comes to this type of situation, I believe that there are many other factors that go into keeping a child rather than calling it murder and stripping one of their choice.

In conclusion, I consider support and doing what's best for oneself better, than the misery of doing something that isn't wanted. If abortion was fully banned I don't believe that the procedures would stop, the only thing taken away is safe abortion. Women should have the right to choose, when it comes to their body with safe solutions.

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