Tennessee has the fourth highest number of abortion restrictions in the country, along with 5 other states, but has enacted only 11 of 25 supportive policies. If the health of women and children is truly a concern for the state, policymakers' time and effort would be better spent increasing the number of policies that are known to support women and children, rather than enacting harmful abortion restrictions.

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Abortion Restrictions

1. Ambulatory surgical center standards imposed on facilities providing abortion
2. Hospital privileges or alternative arrangement required for abortion providers
3. Restriction on which health care providers may provide abortions

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Supportive Policies

1. Affordable Care Act Medicaid expansion
2. Telephone, online, and/or administrative renewal of Medicaid/CHIP
3. Above average Title X funding per patient
4. Contraceptive parity law in place
5. IVF insurance or fertility preservation laws

IMPRES ACCESS TO HEALTH

1. Medicaid income limit for pregnant women is at least 200% of the federal poverty line
2. Expanded family/medical leave beyond the FMLA
3. Maternal mortality review board established
4. Reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers
5. Restrictions on shackling pregnant prisoners
6. Paid sick leave
7. Workplace lactation rights beyond the federal requirements

SUPPORTS PREGNANT PEOPLE

1. Children can enroll in CHIP with no waiting period
2. Physical education for elementary, middle, and high school
3. HIV education mandate
4. Broad eligibility criteria for early intervention services for children at risk of developmental delay
5. Districts must provide full-day kindergarten
6. Firearm safety law(s) designed to protect children

SUPPORTS FAMILIES’ FINANCIAL HEALTH

1. Families receiving TANF can keep child support collected on their behalf
2. State minimum wage is above the federal minimum
3. Income limit for childcare assistance is greater than 55% of state median income
4. No family cap policy or flat cash assistance grant
5. Individuals may be eligible for CCDF childcare subsidies if they are seeking employment

PROMOTES CHILDREN’S AND ADOLESCENTS’ HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND SAFETY

1. Children can enroll in CHIP with no waiting period
2. Physical education for elementary, middle, and high school
3. Sex education mandate
4. HIV education mandate
5. Broad eligibility criteria for early intervention services for children at risk of developmental delay
6. Districts must provide full-day kindergarten
7. Firearm safety law(s) designed to protect children

SUPPORTS A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

1. Workplace lactation rights beyond the federal requirements

Indicators are updated through 2019 or the most recent year data was available.