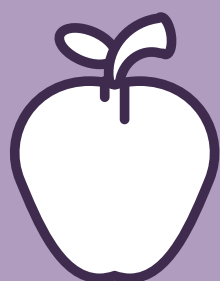


IMPACT OF COVID-19 AND RELATED POLICY ON MASSACHUSETTS WOMEN AND GIRLS

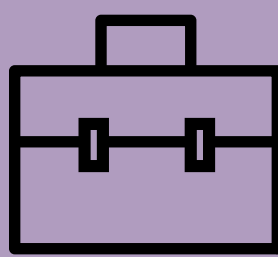
MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN



Concern over access to health care and risk of infection.



Difficulty accessing food and paying bills.



There was wide-ranging financial impact including loss of jobs, income, and childcare.

43%

of respondents self identified with experiencing anxiety and depression.

HEALTH ISSUES

34% of pregnant survey respondents have been told they may not be able to have support people with them during their hospital stay.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

11% of survey respondents reported that they had lost their job.

INCARCERATED WOMEN

"We also know social distancing in prison is impossible. We are concerned that our incarcerated community will not survive this virus."

Sashi James, Hearing Participant

ESSENTIAL WORKERS

Of respondent essential workers, 58% are providing care for a dependent child or family member.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

"COVID-19 is being weaponized by abusers."

Marianne Winters, Executive Director of Safe Passage, Hearing Participant



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