

# New state laws protect women

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SACRAMENTO – Effective Sunday, California has more than a dozen new laws, including an anti-bullying law and a new law requiring insurance companies to cover maternity care.

Individual health insurance plans are now required to provide coverage to women who are pregnant.

Currently, in California more than 200,000 women of child-bearing age have insurance plans that do not cover maternity care.

Supporters said the new law will make sure all women get proper prenatal care and have healthier babies.

Women can now take up to four months of maternity leave.

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