**THE PROBLEMS WITH PNA: THE REALITY OF THE JUDICIAL BYPASS PROCESS**

Most young people voluntarily involve a parent when they experience a pregnancy. Those who do not often have good reasons, such as fear of abuse or loss of support. Illinois law only requires parental notification if a young person seeks abortion, but not when they decide to parent or adopt.

The judicial bypass process is an alternative to forced parental notification of abortion (PNA), but it presents significant and sometimes insurmountable barriers for young people who must go through it.