

# Magna Carta of Women

## Republic Act 9710

The MCW is a human rights law that seeks to eliminate **DISCRIMINATION** and **PROMOTE THE RIGHTS** of Filipino women especially those in marginalized sectors of the society.

MCW was signed into law by former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo in 2009.

*Some salient features of the Law:*

1



MCW protects women from all forms of violence.

2



MCW provides comprehensive health services and information covering all stages of a woman's life cycle.

*This includes granting of 2-month leave benefits with full pay for women employees who undergo surgery caused by gynecological disorders.*

3



MCW provides equal access and elimination of discrimination in Education, Scholarships, and Trainings.

*MCW prohibits expulsion, non-readmission, non-enrollment, and other related discrimination of women and faculty due to pregnancy out of marriage.*

4



MCW guarantees equal rights in all matters relating to marriage and family relations.

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MCW prohibits discriminatory and derogatory portrayal of women in media and film.

