

# Restroom Access When It's Needed

Learn about your right to  
receive restroom access  
when it's most urgent



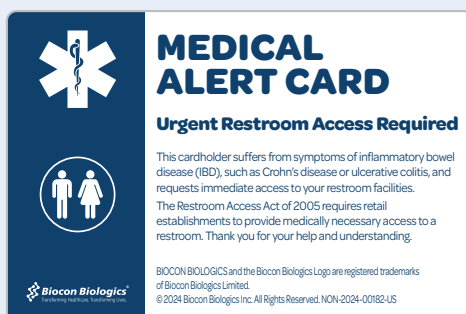
## Restroom Access Act (aka Ally's Law)

The Restroom Access Act—also known as Ally's Law—was passed in 2005 after a Crohn's disease patient named Ally was denied access to a public restroom in a large Chicago retail store. The law now requires retail stores to allow people with certain medical conditions, including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, to access an employee restroom if no public restroom is available and there is an urgent need.

### Ally's Law is passed in the following states and areas:

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| California  | Maine         | Ohio           |
| Colorado    | Maryland      | Oregon         |
| Connecticut | Massachusetts | Tennessee      |
| Delaware    | Michigan      | Texas          |
| Illinois    | Minnesota     | Washington     |
| Kentucky    | New Hampshire | Washington, DC |
| Louisiana   | New York      | Wisconsin      |

If you don't see your state featured on the list, we encourage you to reach out to the state legislature to see if they would consider supporting the adoption of Ally's Law. Visit the [Crohn's & Colitis Foundation](#) website for more information.



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