

Abortion Laws, Procedures, & Risks

What you decide to do with your pregnancy is completely your choice. Your decision should be made with complete and accurate information so you can make an **informed decision**. You have the right to change your mind at any time- even before a procedure.

Texas Law

Beginning in August 2022, abortion became **illegal at all stages of pregnancy in Texas**. *We do not provide or refer for abortion*. The following is for informational purposes only.

Medication Abortion (Abortion Pill)

- FDA approved for *up to 10 weeks* into pregnancy
- Two medication process:
 - **Mifepristone**: blocks progesterone, causing pregnancy to detach from the uterus
 - **Misoprostol**: causes contractions to empty the uterus
- What to expect: strong cramping and bleeding, nausea, vomiting, possibly seeing fetus
- Follow-up visit is necessary to make sure abortion is complete
- **For information about abortion pill reversal, call the rescue hotline at 877-558-0333**

Surgical Abortion

- **Suction Curettage**- *Up to 13 weeks* into pregnancy
- The cervix is opened with a dilator
- A suction tube is inserted to remove the pregnancy
- **Dilation & Evacuation**- *over 13 weeks* into pregnancy
- Medication is given to soften and open the cervix
- Instruments are used to remove the pregnancy in pieces due to advanced development

Risks of Abortion

- **Incomplete abortion**- some pregnancy tissue remains
- **Heavy or continued bleeding**
- **Infection or sepsis**- infection can enter the blood
- **Allergic reaction to the medications**
- **Damage to the cervix or scarring of the uterus lining**
- **Perforation of the uterus**- can damage internal organs
- **Death**
- **1 in 11 women** experience serious complications from the abortion pill

Need Resources?

We are here to help you make the best decision for yourself. Call us at **210-614-4124** if you have any questions or need resources to help in your decision. You are not alone.

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www.americanpregnancy.org, <http://abortionpillrisks.org>, <https://www.mayoclinic.org/drugs-supplements/mifepristone-oral-route/description/drg-20067123> <https://epcc.org/publication/fact-sheet-excluded-adverse-events-in-real-world-study-of-mifepristone/>

Learn more about pregnancy health at:

