

Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio Region

English ABORTION OPTIONS December 2022

**PLEASE NOTE:** No illegal drugs or medications with sedating factors should be taken 24 hours before your appointment. No beverages containing alcohol should be consumed 12 hours before your appointment. If you have used any sedating drugs in the last 24 hours and or had alcohol in the last 12 hours, then your appointment will have to be rescheduled.

	Abortion Pill		In-Clinic Abortion	
How well does it work?	If you use both mifepristone and misoprostol and		It almost always works - over 99% of the time.	
	You are	It works about		
	8 weeks or less	94 to 98 out of 100 times*		
	From 8 to 9 weeks	94 to 96 out of 100 times*		
	From 9 to 10 weeks	91 to 99 out of 100 times**		
	From 10 to 11 weeks	87 to 98 out of 100 times**		
	*Depending on when you take misoprostol  **Depending on when you take misoprostol and how many doses			
	Only taking misoprostol doesn't work as well.			
When can it be done?	Up to 10 weeks		Up to 21.6 weeks by LMP	
How does it happen?	<ul> <li>Most of the time you take mifepristone, then you take misoprostol up to 48 hours later to pass the pregnancy tissue.</li> <li>Sometimes, misoprostol can be used alone.</li> <li>You have a follow-up ultrasound, blood test or urine pregnancy test to make sure it worked.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>In the clinic, your doctor or nurse will use gentle suction to remove the pregnancy.</li> <li>You will be in a recovery area until it's safe to go home, usually after 15 to 45 minutes.</li> <li>In most cases, no follow-up is needed.</li> </ul>	
How long does t take?	Usually 24 hours or less, but it can take up to several days.		About 10 minutes.	
How will I feel?	You may start to have strong cramps and bleeding within 1 to 4 hours after taking the misoprostol. You may have cramping on and off for 1 or 2 more days. You may also have		You may feel  Mild to moderate cramping during and after the abortion. You may have cramping on and off for 1 or 2 more days.	
	<ul><li>Fever of 99-100°F</li><li>Chills</li><li>Diarrhea</li><li>Nausea or vomiting</li></ul>	<ul><li>Headache</li><li>Dizziness</li><li>Back pain</li><li>Tiredness</li></ul>		
What can I do for pain?	Pain medicine is available. We will discuss your choices with you.			
How much will I bleed? For how long?	Heavy bleeding with clots is common after taking misoprostol. Bleeding may continue on and off for 4 to 6 weeks.		Light or medium bleeding is common for 1 to 7 days.  Bleeding may continue on and off for 4 to 6 weeks.	
What are the benefits?	<ul> <li>It may feel more natural, like a miscarriage.</li> <li>You may not need to be in the clinic to take the medicines.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>It is over in a few minutes.</li> <li>You may have less bleeding than you would with the abortion pill.</li> <li>Clinic staff is there to support you.</li> </ul>	
What are the risks?	If it doesn't work, you may need to take more medicine or have a suction procedure to complete the process.		<ul> <li>Possible injury to cervix, uterus or other organs.</li> <li>If it doesn't work, you may need to have a suction procedure to complete the process.</li> </ul>	



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	<ul> <li>Pregnancy does not end</li> <li>Some of the pregnancy left in uterus</li> <li>Blood clots in uterus</li> <li>Heavy bleeding</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Infection</li><li>Allergic reaction to medicines used</li><li>Death</li></ul>
How much does it cost?	<ul> <li>Cost ranges from \$700 to \$2,400</li> <li>State funding, private insurance and other funding sources may cover some of the costs.</li> </ul>	