

Abortion Services

We are invested in helping every woman, regardless of her choice. Please make an appointment to discuss your unique situation and options with one of our specialists.

Medical Abortion

Applicable for: Pregnancy up to 10 weeks (70 days after your last normal period)

What it is: Medical abortion involves using pills to cause the pregnancy to pass from your body. Two medications are used in combination. A small percentage of women will need a surgical abortion to complete the process. Follow up by phone or office visit is required.

Surgical Abortion

Applicable for: Pregnancy at 5 weeks or more (35 days after your last period)

Used for:

- Termination due to abnormal pregnancy
- Maternal health conditions
- Elective abortion

What it is: In California, surgical abortions are generally an option from 5 to 24 weeks of pregnancy. The procedure takes approximately 5-15 minutes to complete and can be performed in our office or at the hospital, depending on your situation. After the first trimester of pregnancy, you may need to have a simple office procedure to help prepare your cervix and uterus for the procedure. Most abortions after the first trimester are performed in the hospital.

Important Information

If you have special medically-identified circumstances, we are happy to speak to you about your situation. If you plan to receive pain medication during a surgical procedure, you will need someone to drive you home. Depending on your situation and the sedation you receive for your procedure, you may need to avoid eating or drinking for several hours prior to your appointment.

Contraception

Depending on your situation, you can start birth control immediately after a medical or surgical abortion.

Complications

Complications are infrequent with abortion. However, if you experience unexpected side effects or an emergency, our staff at the UC Davis Medical Center is available to assist you 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

- Daytime: 916-734-6900
- Nights, Weekends and Holidays: 916-734-2011



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