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Gloria Aponte

Bled to death after abortion

Twenty-year-old Gloria went to [National Abortion Federation](#) member Hanan Rotem in Stamford, Connecticut, for a [safe and legal abortion](#) on April 19, 1986. A few hours after the abortion, Gloria was declared dead from [hemorrhage](#) at a nearby hospital.

What Is a NAF Clinic?

NAF is the professional association of abortion providers in North America. Our member clinics care for more than half the women who choose abortion each year in the United States. In order to become a member, a clinic must complete a rigorous application process. Member clinics have agreed to comply with our standards for quality and care, updated annually in our [Clinical Policy Guidelines](#), which set the evidence-based standards for abortion care in North America. NAF periodically conducts site visits to confirm that our clinics are in compliance with our guidelines.

Screen capture of assurance of safe, quality care on National Abortion Federation web site. It reads:

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Rotem claimed that Gloria had died from an amniotic fluid embolism. An investigation by health officials found that Rotem had failed to perform necessary blood tests, and had permitted a receptionist with no medical training to administer anesthesia.

Source: Associated Press 11/22/89

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