

Chemical abortion pills expose women to complications.

Chemical Abortions Pills are marketed as a convenient “DIY” abortion, turning the woman into the abortifacient, her home into the clinic, and her plumbing into the morgue. Chemical abortions, in many cases, can be reversed within the first 48 hours if the second pill is not used.⁶

Women are pressured & coerced.

64% of American women report feeling pressured by others to abort the baby.⁷ Family, friends, employers, schools, and sexual predators often demand the woman have an abortion. In some cases, parents threaten to kick the girl out of the home. Boyfriends and husbands threaten abandonment. Women are told by friends that having a baby will ruin their lives and having an abortion will solve their problem.

Abortion is a form of racism.

Planned Parenthood identifies its core client as young, low-income women of color. Abortion clinics are located in urban areas. Black and Hispanic women represent only a quarter of American women of child-bearing age, yet account for more than half of all abortions in the US.⁸

Abortion Kills Women.

Women still die from the abortion procedure and from complications that result afterwards.⁹ Studies also show that women with abortion histories have an increased risk of dying from a variety of causes after abortion.¹⁰

⁶<https://lozierinstitute.org/scientists-ask-u-s-district-court-to-suspend-sale-of-dangerously-poorly-tested-abortion-pills/> and <https://supportafterabortion.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Study-Shows-Long-Term-Negative-Impact-of-Medication-Abortion.pdf> and <https://studentsforlife.org/2023/02/24/the-latest-craziest-chemical-abortion-pill-edition/> and <https://lozierinstitute.org/fact-sheet-risks-and-complications-of-chemical-abortion/>

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Abortion is the most common medical procedure performed in America, but the experience is rarely discussed. That is why many of us are breaking our silence and sharing our stories through the Silent No More Awareness Campaign. Please share the information inside this brochure with others.

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a woman with personal abortion experience.*



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WHAT'S SO BAD ABOUT ABORTION?

Abortion advocates sell abortion as a benefit to women, but increased evidence leads to the conclusion that no such "benefit" has ever caused more damage to women's lives, health, and role in society. It is widely admitted that abortion ends the life of a child, but **what does it do to the mother?**

Abortion creates physical problems.

- In the US, over 140,000 women a year have immediate medical complications from abortion such as hemorrhaging, infection, uterine perforation or continued pregnancy.¹
- Long-term health problems include an increased risk of breast, cervical and ovarian cancer. Abortion can also lead to infertility due to hysterectomies, pelvic inflammatory disease and miscarriage.²
- Abortion can cause the following complications during future pregnancies: premature birth, placenta previa, and ectopic pregnancy.³

Abortion compromises who we are as women.

Abortion perpetuates the myth that women cannot handle motherhood and also fulfill their role in society.

Women are designed to give life and nurture it. When mothers abort their children, they interfere with the natural process of pro-creation and it leaves an imprint on their heart that never goes away but is often denied.

Abortion increases violence against pregnant women.

Coercion can lead to physical violence. Women who refuse to abort have been subjected to beatings, gunshots, stabbings and strangulation. Research shows the target of violence during pregnancy shifts from a woman's face and breasts to her pregnant belly. In one study of violent deaths among pregnant women, three out of every four were killed during their first 20 weeks of pregnancy.⁴ Women are literally being beaten and killed for refusing to abort. The leading cause of death during pregnancy is homicide.⁵

Abortion affects women spiritually.

Many women turn away from God or fear a 'greater power' because deep down inside they know they have taken the life of another human-being, their baby.

Abortion harms future relationships.

Women struggle with issues of trust after an abortion. They ask "How can we trust those who said they loved us and then allowed us to go through the pain of abortion?" It affects how we relate to future children. They have difficulty bonding and with them and often become over-protective.

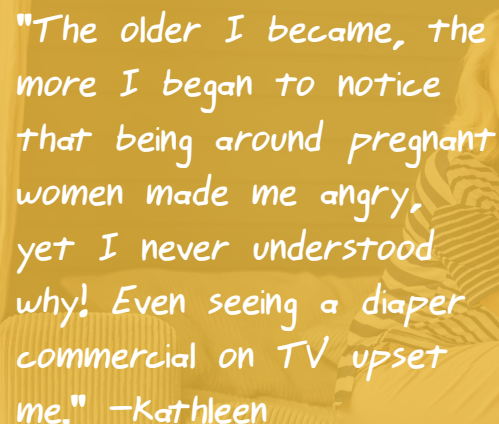
Abortion is a secret women often keep from their spouses, children, or parents, because they fear being judged. Yet they know if they want to seek healing, they must tell them.

Abortion creates psychological issues.

After an abortion many women find themselves dealing with increased use of drugs and/or alcohol, recurring insomnia and nightmares, eating disorders, suicidal feelings, and attempted suicide.

Women also experience difficulty in maintaining or developing relationships, loneliness, isolation, anger, fear of the unknown, indecision and a sense of self-hatred.

Numerous studies reveal the psychological harm of abortion and show that aborting a child is more damaging than carrying the baby to term.



"The older I became, the more I began to notice that being around pregnant women made me angry, yet I never understood why! Even seeing a diaper commercial on TV upset me." —Kathleen



*"Do not have an abortion. You will regret it the rest of your life, just like I have."
—Debbie*

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