WHAT IS AN ABORTION?

Every child will be born, living or dead. Currently in Colorado, children may be killed legally at any time through birth using any means.

Abortion puts a mother into preterm labor to force a miscarriage or stretches her cervix to dismember her child through suction, D&C, or D&E.

Medical Abortion, Chemical Abortion, "Abor-

tion Pill" consists of two pills (mifepristone and misoprostol) taken within 48 hours of each other, forcing the mother to miscarry her child and deliver her dead baby. Fatal to the child, it is also dangerous for the mother, particularly if she has an undiagnosed ectopic pregnancy or is further along in pregnancy than she realizes. If she has taken the first pill and changes her mind, she can get large doses of progesterone with a 60% chance of saving her baby¹. In addition to the emotional trauma and physical pain of an early miscarriage, women choosing this method to terminate pregnancy are at risk for hemorrhage, shock, infection, an incomplete abortion requiring surgical intervention, and possible death. Mothers report feeling intense labor pains with a lot of blood and up to a month or more of bleeding. Women taking these drugs may not receive proper medical care or follow-up.

Surgical Abortion, Elective Abortion, Forced Miscarriage terminate pregnancy through suction, D&C, or D&E, requiring that the woman's cervix is forced open and the child is dismembered through a large suction, and/or grasped and pulled apart (dismembered) by surgical instruments. Each of these procedures requires that the child's head is crushed to fit through the mother's cervix. If the child's heart is no longer beating, these procedures may be used to facilitate a diagnosed miscarriage. If the child's heart is beating, the procedure is very painful to the child being torn apart, as we can observe them crying and trying to get away from the instruments taking away their lives and from the safety of their mothers.

"They have filled this place with the blood of the innocent." Jeremiah 19:4

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Late Term Abortion kills the child through lethal injection and induces childbirth. The child is poisoned by toxic levels of a heart medication, the mother's cervix is artificially opened, and the mother is put into

preterm labor to go through the entire process of childbirth to deliver her dead baby. If the first injection does not stop the baby's heart within twenty-four hours, another injection will be repeated every 24 hours until the baby dies. It may take up to three days for the baby to die and another three days for the mother to finish labor to give birth to her dead

"even the compassion of the wicked is cruel" Proverbs 12:10b

child. It is a week-long process with several months of physical recovery. A late term abortion is more dangerous to the mother than giving birth to a living child, as a living baby helps in the birthing process. Because her baby is so large, mothers report feeling their baby thrashing in pain. Without the injection, the baby could survive and be placed in a loving home through adoption.

Partial Birth Abortion kills the baby during the process of being born. The mother is put into labor with the baby in a breach position. While the baby's feet, legs, and back are delivered, and only their head is still in the birth canal, the baby is killed.

Another disputed practice is leaving a child to "die of the elements" by denying a newborn basic nourishment, warmth, comfort, and care. Some children have been rescued from utility closets, given proper medical care, and provided loving families through adoption.



What is a Woman Choosing?

Killing children prior to birth is more dangerous for mothers than giving birth to living children or c-section intended to save lives. Most mothers do not choose abortion when given honest information, non-violent options, and loving support.

In addition to the emotional trauma and physical pain of an early miscarriage, mothers choosing a chemical abortion to terminate pregnancy are at risk for hemorrhage, shock, infection, an incomplete abortion requiring surgical intervention, and possible death. Mothers

choosing surgical abortion experience the same physical risks as a chemical abortion with the added risks of a perforated uterus, bowel, or damage to her cervix. Mothers choosing to terminate a pregnancy face the possibility of later infertility, miscarriage, premature labor, incompetent cervix, and difficulty carrying a baby to term. Largely ignored studies show that an interrupted first pregnancy can lead to breast cancer for the mother later in life.

Common emotional difficulties following

these procedures may include difficulty in relationships, bonding with other children, sexual dysfunction, and being triggered by anything reminding of the procedure such as a vacuum cleaner, dentist chair, sounds or smells of a doctor's office, people who did not protect her from the procedure, or anniversary of the procedure or the child's due date. Many women also experience rage toward the father, men in general, or others in general, and may develop Stockholm

"Rescue those being led away to death, and restrain those stumbling toward the slaughter." Proverbs 24:11-12 Syndrome toward the abortionist who abused and violated her.

More than 24,000 children are killed legally every year in Colorado. Based on worldwide reporting, **57,000 women die** from abortions every year, and more than 5

million women are hospitalized annually from abortion complications. (WHO, 2019) Studies show that **Colorado Life Initiative** Because Every Child Deserves a Birthday



women who have experienced an abortion have 138% higher risk of mental health issues than women who gave birth. Women have higher rates of anxiety (34%), depression (37%), and addictions (110% alcohol, 230% marijuana). Mothers who choose to terminate pregnancies have an increased risk of suicide by 155%.²

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Abortionists in Colorado are not required to report deaths of women and children due to abortion. Abortionists continue to assert that abortion is "safe" (presumably for the mother). Abortion survivors (children

> who were born alive) may be left to the elements to die of starvation and cold. Very rarely, an abortion survivor will be given warmth and nourishment and placed in a loving home through adoption. A living child is considered a "failed abortion" or "failed termination".

> There are approximately equal numbers of couples wanting to adopt as there have been abortions performed annually. Saving the lives of children would address the shortage of babies to adopt and does not

reflect foster care, as foster care is for children whose parents want their children and do not want to relinquish parental rights but have had their children taken from them due to allegations of neglect or abuse.

Many aborted children would have grown to be contributing adults in the workforce with families of their own to love. For children victimized by abortion, their only experience in the world is pain, suffering, and death. Abortion is the most cruel, inhumane, and lethal form of child abuse. The intended outcome of every abortion is the child's death. It is not necessary to intentionally cause the death of any child, as we are an advanced society with the ability to attempt to save lives of both mothers and children. Most mothers don't know the resources and loving choices available to them which makes every abortion unnecessary. And every woman needs the grace of a Savior, whatever choice she may have made.

1 https://abortionpillreversal.com/

2 Abortion and mental health: quantitative synthesis and analysis of research 1995–2009, Cambridge University Press: 02 January 2018

