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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- There were 1,270 induced terminations reported in Alaska in 2019, down from 1,283 reported the previous year.
- Alaska residents accounted for 98.1 percent of patients.
- Women under 25 years old accounted for 37.5 percent of induced terminations in Alaska, compared to 39.7 percent nationally.¹
- Among teens, 2.8 percent of induced terminations were young teens (age 15 to 17 years), and 9.7% were older teens (age 18 to 19 years).
- Patients with one or more previous live births accounted for 54.6 percent of induced terminations in Alaska, compared to 59.0 percent nationally.¹
- First-time patients with no previous induced terminations accounted for 64.5 percent induced terminations. 21.3 percent of patients reported one previous induced termination, and 14.1 percent reported two or more previous induced terminations.
- Unmarried women accounted for 74.4 percent of induced terminations in Alaska, compared to 86.8 percent nationally.¹
- The majority of induced terminations (94.6 percent*) in Alaska were performed within the 13th week of gestation, compared to 91.0 percent nationally.¹
- Suction curettage accounted for 66.9 percent of induced termination procedures, followed by Mifepristone (RU-486) at 24.2 percent.
- Medicaid accounted for 45.0 percent of induced termination payment sources, followed by self-payment (cash, check, credit, etc.) at 40.7 percent.
- Detection of congenital anomalies accounted for five induced terminations*.
- Informed consent information was not requested by 99.4 percent* of patients receiving an induced termination, but 11.7 percent* reported receiving a copy.

* This statistic is not based on tables presented in this report.

1. National comparisons are based on the most recently available data from 2016. See: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Abortion Surveillance - United States, 2016, November 29, 2019. MMWR SS Vol.68/No.11.

INTRODUCTION

About This Report

The 2019 Alaska Induced Termination of Pregnancy Statistics report is prepared by the Health Analytics Unit of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Service's Health Analytics and Vital Records Section. This report contains information about induced terminations that occurred in Alaska during calendar year 2019, in accordance with Alaska Statute 18.50.245. Induced termination data can be used to:

- Monitor trends in the number of induced terminations, and characteristics of women who may be at risk of unintended pregnancy.
- Assess changes in the types of procedures used to terminate a pregnancy, and the gestational age (in weeks) when induced terminations are performed.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of family planning programs and programs to prevent unintended pregnancy.

Unintended pregnancy refers to pregnancies that are unwanted, or when the mother wanted to be pregnant at a later date (referred to as "mistimed"). Intended pregnancies are those that are wanted sooner, or at the time they occurred. In 2017, 21.8 percent of all pregnancies that resulted in a live birth in Alaska were unintended (i.e. mistimed or unwanted), compared to 25.6 percent among all reporting jurisdictions in the U.S. Including women who were unsure whether the pregnancy was wanted increases the amount of unintended pregnancies to 41.5 percent for Alaska, and 41.1 percent for all reporting jurisdictions in the U.S.¹

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System. Selected 2016 through 2017 Maternal and Child Health Indicators. Includes 37 U.S. jurisdictions with a 55% or greater survey response rate. Starting with the 2019 version of this report, women who were not sure how they felt about their pregnancy are also included in the weighted percentage estimate of unintended pregnancy. Results are not comparable to earlier reports.

Alaska has generally followed recent national trends in births. From 2014 to 2018, the latest year for which complete birth data are available, Alaska's fertility rate, which measures the number of live births per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44 years old, decreased from 77.5 to 69.3 births per 1,000. The teen birth rate, which measures the number of live births per 1,000 women aged 15 to 19 years old, decreased from 27.8 to 18.8 births per 1,000.² However, fertility rates are based only on the number of live births and may change as a result of the rate at which women become pregnant, the rate at which pregnancies are ended in an induced termination, or a combination of both. Induced termination reporting can provide a better understanding of which factors are driving birth patterns in Alaska.

How Statistics are Collected

The information in this report is based on induced termination of pregnancy reports received by the Section as of February 25th, 2020. Definitions of the terms used in this report are located in Appendix A. A copy of the form used to report induced termination of pregnancies is located in Appendix B. In this report, the term induced termination of pregnancy is used synonymously with induced termination.

In Alaska, reporting of induced terminations are mandated by Alaska Statute 18.50.245. Hospitals, clinics, or other institutions where an induced termination is performed, are required to submit a form to the Section. The form cannot contain the name of the patient, but must contain information requested in the sample form located in Appendix B. These forms are strictly confidential and are destroyed after preparing the annual report.

2. Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Health Analytics and Vital Records Section. Vital Statistics 2018 Annual Report.

Data presented in this report are gathered from the forms submitted by healthcare providers. The data in this report are not verified by Medicaid or any other payment type, and may vary from other data sources. For example, when reporting terminations, the Alaska Division of Health Care Services uses actual paid Medicaid claims as the source, and includes all enrolled members who received services in-state or out-of-state. Each payer in this report may have different policies that determine coverage for specific circumstances.³

Alaska statutes also require that any reports produced from induced termination of pregnancy forms may only be presented in aggregate form, so that specific individuals may not be identified. Furthermore, the report may not identify, or provide information that can be used to identify, the name of the physician who performed the induced termination, the name of the facility where the induced termination took place, or the name of the municipality or community in which the induced termination occurred. Because of the reporting guidelines outlined in state statutes, induced termination statistics by borough or census area are not available for publication.

Informed Consent

In 2005, Alaska law and regulations were amended to change the reporting requirements for induced terminations of pregnancy and to add a section relating to informed consent when conducting induced terminations.⁴ The changes to state law require the Department of Health and Social Services to maintain a web site containing information on fetal development, induced termination, pregnancy, and family planning. The web site also has resources associated with pregnancy-related social and health services in

Alaska. The informed consent web site is located at:

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/wcfh/pages/informedconsent/default.aspx>

The Section is also required to monitor whether the unidentified patient requested and received a written copy of the information required to be maintained on the Internet. These regulations took effect in 2005.

Data Notes/Issues

This report contains information on induced terminations that occurred within Alaska, regardless of the patient's place of residency. Data on Alaska resident patients who receive induced termination outside of Alaska are not included due to limitations in other states' reporting practices. For example, 154 Alaska women obtained induced terminations in Washington state during 2016, the latest year for which complete data are available.⁵ These are not included in this analysis.

Please note that induced termination reports published by the Section in 2015, 2016, and 2017 erroneously included 157 induced terminations from Alaska resident women that occurred in Washington as part of the 2014 estimates. These records are no longer counted, so 2014 totals may differ from totals published between 2015 and 2017.

Racial categories used in this report are aggregated into the following groups: Caucasian (White), American Indian or Alaska Native (AI/AN), Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Other Pacific Islander (Asian/PI) and Black or African American (Black). Records with other races, or where more than one race is specified, are classified as Other/Multiple. Records with missing information are classified as Unknown.

3. See the Alaska Medicaid "Certificate to Request Funds for Abortion" form: http://manuals.medicaidalaska.com/docs/dnld/Form_Certificate_to_Request_Funds_for_Abortion.pdf.

4. Alaska Statute 118.05.032, Information Relating to Pregnancy and Pregnancy Alternatives.

5. Washington State Department of Health, Center for Health Statistics. Table 8: Induced Abortions Occurring Within Washington State by Select Indicators, 2016.

Please note that due to limitations in Alaska's vital records database used prior to 2014, reports published before 2018 classify race based on the first selected race option only. As of 2018, pre-2014 records are no longer included in the report, and multiple race patients are now classified as Other/Multiple race. Tables stratified by race are therefore no longer directly comparable to reports published before 2018.

Tables by ethnicity were added starting with the 2018 version of this report. Ethnic categories include Hispanic (which includes peoples of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or Other or Unknown Hispanic origin) and Non-Hispanic. Records with missing information are classified as Unknown. Ethnicity information is collected separately from race, and ethnic and race categories are not mutually exclusive (e.g. individuals can identify as either Hispanics or Non-Hispanics, as well as one or more races).

Data on gestational age (in weeks) is based on the clinical gestation estimate provided by the attending physician. If the clinical estimate is unavailable, then gestational age is estimated from the date of event and date of the last menses period reported, if possible.

TABLES

Table 1: Number of Induced Terminations by Residence State and Year (2015-2019)

Residence State	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Alaska	1,323	1,243	1,237	1,261	1,246
Other State/Territory	7	8	6	15	16
Foreign	0	1	5	2	3
Unknown	4	8	7	5	5
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 2: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Residence State and Year (2015-2019)

Residence State	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Alaska	99.2%	98.7%	98.6%	98.3%	98.1%
Other State/Territory	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	1.2%	1.3%
Foreign	0.0%	0.1%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Unknown	0.3%	0.6%	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 3: Number of Induced Terminations by Race and Year (2015-2019)

Race	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
White	673	633	589	673	646
AI/AN	248	229	270	247	298
Asian/PI	113	96	103	99	93
Black	89	84	86	83	95
Other/Multiple	179	176	168	148	102
Unknown	32	42	39	33	36
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 4: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Race and Year (2015-2019)

Race	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
White	50.4%	50.2%	46.9%	52.5%	50.9%
AI/AN	18.6%	18.2%	21.5%	19.3%	23.5%
Asian/PI	8.5%	7.6%	8.2%	7.7%	7.3%
Black	6.7%	6.7%	6.9%	6.5%	7.5%
Other/Multiple	13.4%	14.0%	13.4%	11.5%	8.0%
Unknown	2.4%	3.3%	3.1%	2.6%	2.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 5: Number of Induced Terminations by Ethnicity and Year (2015-2019)

Ethnicity	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Hispanic	116	14	30	53	52
Non-Hispanic	1,218	1,246	1,225	1,230	1,218
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 6: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Ethnicity and Year (2015-2019)

Ethnicity	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Hispanic	8.7%	1.1%	2.4%	4.1%	4.1%
Non-Hispanic	91.3%	98.9%	97.6%	95.9%	95.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 7: Number of Induced Terminations by Age Group and Year (2015-2019)

Age Group	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<15	4	4	7	3	2
15-19	152	147	130	154	123
15-17	42	56	45	42	36
18-19	110	91	85	112	87
20-24	445	366	346	365	351
25-29	361	354	340	355	363
30-34	206	230	270	233	246
35-39	121	118	125	131	137
40-44	39	39	35	38	45
45+	6	2	1	4	3
Unknown	0	0	1	0	0
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 8: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Age Group and Year (2015-2019)

Age Group	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<15	0.3%	0.3%	0.6%	0.2%	0.2%
15-19	11.4%	11.7%	10.4%	12.0%	9.7%
15-17	3.1%	4.4%	3.6%	3.3%	2.8%
18-19	8.2%	7.2%	6.8%	8.7%	6.9%
20-24	33.4%	29.0%	27.6%	28.4%	27.6%
25-29	27.1%	28.1%	27.1%	27.7%	28.6%
30-34	15.4%	18.3%	21.5%	18.2%	19.4%
35-39	9.1%	9.4%	10.0%	10.2%	10.8%
40-44	2.9%	3.1%	2.8%	3.0%	3.5%
45+	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 9: Number of Induced Terminations by Education and Year (2015-2019)

Education (Years)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<12	121	128	148	134	104
12	546	512	542	610	580
13+	552	522	506	450	443
Unknown	115	98	59	89	143
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 10: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Education and Year (2015-2019)

Education (Years)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<12	9.1%	10.2%	11.8%	10.4%	8.2%
12	40.9%	40.6%	43.2%	47.5%	45.7%
13+	41.4%	41.4%	40.3%	35.1%	34.9%
Unknown	8.6%	7.8%	4.7%	6.9%	11.3%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 11: Number of Induced Terminations by Previous Live Births and Year (2015-2019)

Previous Live Births	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
0	597	530	532	588	575
1	292	262	264	246	233
2	217	237	239	208	258
3	103	121	113	112	103
4	52	58	56	76	50
5+	56	52	51	53	50
Unknown	17	0	0	0	1
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 12: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Previous Live Births and Year (2015-2019)

Previous Live Births	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
0	44.8%	42.1%	42.4%	45.8%	45.3%
1	21.9%	20.8%	21.0%	19.2%	18.3%
2	16.3%	18.8%	19.0%	16.2%	20.3%
3	7.7%	9.6%	9.0%	8.7%	8.1%
4	3.9%	4.6%	4.5%	5.9%	3.9%
5+	4.2%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	3.9%
Unknown	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 13: Number of Induced Terminations by Previous Induced Terminations and Year (2015-2019)

Previous Induced Terminations	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
0	886	833	775	840	819
1	291	271	309	282	271
2	100	94	112	109	109
3	42	39	35	31	44
4	6	13	10	9	15
5+	6	10	13	12	11
Unknown	3	0	1	0	1
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 14: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Previous Induced Terminations and Year (2015-2019)

Previous Induced Terminations	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
0	66.4%	66.1%	61.8%	65.5%	64.5%
1	21.8%	21.5%	24.6%	22.0%	21.3%
2	7.5%	7.5%	8.9%	8.5%	8.6%
3	3.1%	3.1%	2.8%	2.4%	3.5%
4	0.4%	1.0%	0.8%	0.7%	1.2%
5+	0.4%	0.8%	1.0%	0.9%	0.9%
Unknown	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 15: Number of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Year (2015-2019)

Marital Status	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Married	247	242	272	274	253
Unmarried	1,075	992	944	977	945
Unknown	12	26	39	32	72
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 16: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Year (2015-2019)

Marital Status	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Married	18.5%	19.2%	21.7%	21.4%	19.9%
Unmarried	80.6%	78.7%	75.2%	76.1%	74.4%
Unknown	0.9%	2.1%	3.1%	2.5%	5.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 17: Number of Induced Terminations by Gestation and Year (2015-2019)

Gestation (Weeks)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1-4	15	17	16	14	20
5-8	874	821	769	794	765
9-12	367	355	368	372	353
13-16	75	65	102	100	129
17-20	2	2	0	1	2
21-24	1	0	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	2	1
Total	1,334	1,260	1,255	1,283	1,270

Table 18: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Gestation and Year (2015-2019)

Gestation (Weeks)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
1-4	1.1%	1.3%	1.3%	1.1%	1.6%
5-8	65.5%	65.2%	61.3%	61.9%	60.2%
9-12	27.5%	28.2%	29.3%	29.0%	27.8%
13-16	5.6%	5.2%	8.1%	7.8%	10.2%
17-20	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
21-24	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 19: Number of Induced Terminations by Race and Age Group (2019)

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
White	1	16	44	180	170	135	71	27	2	0	646
AI/AN	1	15	17	68	96	54	35	11	1	0	298
Asian/PI	0	2	5	27	27	18	13	1	0	0	93
Black	0	1	10	30	28	16	7	3	0	0	95
Other/ Multiple	0	2	9	34	29	18	9	1	0	0	102
Unknown	0	0	2	12	13	5	2	2	0	0	36
Total	2	36	87	351	363	246	137	45	3	0	1,270

Table 20: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Race and Age Group (2019)

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
White	50.0%	44.4%	50.6%	51.3%	46.8%	54.9%	51.8%	60.0%	66.7%	-	50.9%
AI/AN	50.0%	41.7%	19.5%	19.4%	26.4%	22.0%	25.5%	24.4%	33.3%	-	23.5%
Asian/PI	0.0%	5.6%	5.7%	7.7%	7.4%	7.3%	9.5%	2.2%	0.0%	-	7.3%
Black	0.0%	2.8%	11.5%	8.5%	7.7%	6.5%	5.1%	6.7%	0.0%	-	7.5%
Other/ Multiple	0.0%	5.6%	10.3%	9.7%	8.0%	7.3%	6.6%	2.2%	0.0%	-	8.0%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	3.4%	3.6%	2.0%	1.5%	4.4%	0.0%	-	2.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-	100.0%

Table 21: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Age Group and Race (2019)

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
White	0.2%	2.5%	6.8%	27.9%	26.3%	20.9%	11.0%	4.2%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%
AI/AN	0.3%	5.0%	5.7%	22.8%	32.2%	18.1%	11.7%	3.7%	0.3%	0.0%	100.0%
Asian/PI	0.0%	2.2%	5.4%	29.0%	29.0%	19.4%	14.0%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Black	0.0%	1.1%	10.5%	31.6%	29.5%	16.8%	7.4%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Other/ Multiple	0.0%	2.0%	8.8%	33.3%	28.4%	17.6%	8.8%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	5.6%	33.3%	36.1%	13.9%	5.6%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	0.2%	2.8%	6.9%	27.6%	28.6%	19.4%	10.8%	3.5%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%

Table 22: Number of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Age Group (2019)

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Married	0	0	3	38	72	71	50	17	2	0	253
Unmarried	2	35	82	295	267	162	76	25	1	0	945
Unknown	0	1	2	18	24	13	11	3	0	0	72
Total	2	36	87	351	363	246	137	45	3	0	1,270

Table 23: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Age Group (2019)

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Married	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	10.8%	19.8%	28.9%	36.5%	37.8%	66.7%	-	19.9%
Unmarried	100.0%	97.2%	94.3%	84.0%	73.6%	65.9%	55.5%	55.6%	33.3%	-	74.4%
Unknown	0.0%	2.8%	2.3%	5.1%	6.6%	5.3%	8.0%	6.7%	0.0%	-	5.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-	100.0%

Table 24: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Age Group and Marital Status (2019)

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Married	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	15.0%	28.5%	28.1%	19.8%	6.7%	0.8%	0.0%	100.0%
Unmarried	0.2%	3.7%	8.7%	31.2%	28.3%	17.1%	8.0%	2.6%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%
Unknown	0.0%	1.4%	2.8%	25.0%	33.3%	18.1%	15.3%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	0.2%	2.8%	6.9%	27.6%	28.6%	19.4%	10.8%	3.5%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%

Table 25: Number of Induced Terminations by Procedure and Weeks of Gestation (2019)

Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Unk.	Total
Suction Curettage	14	486	294	56	0	0	0	850
Dilation and Evacuation	0	17	20	73	0	0	0	110
Sharp Curettage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prostaglandin	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hysterotomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mifepristone	6	261	39	0	0	0	1	307
Methotrexate	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	20	765	353	129	2	0	1	1,270

Table 26: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Procedure and Weeks of Gestation (2019)

Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Unk.	Total
Suction Curettage	70.0%	63.5%	83.3%	43.4%	0.0%	-	0.0%	66.9%
Dilation and Evacuation	0.0%	2.2%	5.7%	56.6%	0.0%	-	0.0%	8.7%
Sharp Curettage	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%
Saline	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%
Prostaglandin	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	-	0.0%	0.1%
Hysterectomy	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%
Hysterotomy	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%
Mifepristone	30.0%	34.1%	11.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	100.0%	24.2%
Methotrexate	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.1%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	-	0.0%	0.1%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-	100.0%	100.0%

Table 27: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Weeks of Gestation and Procedure (2019)

Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Unk.	Total
Suction Curettage	1.6%	57.2%	34.6%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Dilation and Evacuation	0.0%	15.5%	18.2%	66.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Sharp Curettage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saline	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prostaglandin	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Hysterectomy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hysterotomy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mifepristone	2.0%	85.0%	12.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	100.0%
Methotrexate	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.6%	60.2%	27.8%	10.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	100.0%

Table 28: Number of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Age Group (2019)

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	2	25	43	138	174	122	49	16	2	0	571
Insurance	0	2	4	22	18	19	17	3	1	0	86
Self-Pay	0	8	34	151	154	87	63	20	0	0	517
Other	0	1	6	40	17	18	8	6	0	0	96
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	36	87	351	363	246	137	45	3	0	1,270

Table 29: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Age Group (2019)

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	100.0%	69.4%	49.4%	39.3%	47.9%	49.6%	35.8%	35.6%	66.7%	-	45.0%
Insurance	0.0%	5.6%	4.6%	6.3%	5.0%	7.7%	12.4%	6.7%	33.3%	-	6.8%
Self-Pay	0.0%	22.2%	39.1%	43.0%	42.4%	35.4%	46.0%	44.4%	0.0%	-	40.7%
Other	0.0%	2.8%	6.9%	11.4%	4.7%	7.3%	5.8%	13.3%	0.0%	-	7.6%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	-	100.0%

Table 30: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Age Group and Payment Type (2019)

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	0.4%	4.4%	7.5%	24.2%	30.5%	21.4%	8.6%	2.8%	0.4%	0.0%	100.0%
Insurance	0.0%	2.3%	4.7%	25.6%	20.9%	22.1%	19.8%	3.5%	1.2%	0.0%	100.0%
Self-Pay	0.0%	1.5%	6.6%	29.2%	29.8%	16.8%	12.2%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Other	0.0%	1.0%	6.3%	41.7%	17.7%	18.8%	8.3%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.2%	2.8%	6.9%	27.6%	28.6%	19.4%	10.8%	3.5%	0.2%	0.0%	100.0%

Table 31: Number of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Race (2019)

Payment Type	White	AI/AN	Asian/PI	Black	Other/ Multiple	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	204	225	36	43	52	11	571
Insurance	65	11	5	1	2	2	86
Self-Pay	319	54	41	44	40	19	517
Other	58	8	11	7	8	4	96
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	646	298	93	95	102	36	1,270

Table 32: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Race (2019)

Payment Type	White	AI/AN	Asian/PI	Black	Other/ Multiple	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	31.6%	75.5%	38.7%	45.3%	51.0%	30.6%	45.0%
Insurance	10.1%	3.7%	5.4%	1.1%	2.0%	5.6%	6.8%
Self-Pay	49.4%	18.1%	44.1%	46.3%	39.2%	52.8%	40.7%
Other	9.0%	2.7%	11.8%	7.4%	7.8%	11.1%	7.6%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 33: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Race and Payment Type (2019)

Payment Type	White	AI/AN	Asian/PI	Black	Other/ Multiple	Unk.	Total
Medicaid	35.7%	39.4%	6.3%	7.5%	9.1%	1.9%	100.0%
Insurance	75.6%	12.8%	5.8%	1.2%	2.3%	2.3%	100.0%
Self-Pay	61.7%	10.4%	7.9%	8.5%	7.7%	3.7%	100.0%
Other	60.4%	8.3%	11.5%	7.3%	8.3%	4.2%	100.0%
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	50.9%	23.5%	7.3%	7.5%	8.0%	2.8%	100.0%

Table 34: Number of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Marital Status (2019)

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown	Total
Medicaid	83	456	32	571
Insurance	17	57	12	86
Self-Pay	132	357	28	517
Other	21	75	0	96
Unknown	0	0	0	0
Total	253	945	72	1,270

Table 35: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Payment Type and Marital Status (2019)

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown	Total
Medicaid	32.8%	48.3%	44.4%	45.0%
Insurance	6.7%	6.0%	16.7%	6.8%
Self-Pay	52.2%	37.8%	38.9%	40.7%
Other	8.3%	7.9%	0.0%	7.6%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Table 36: Percentage of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Payment Type (2019)

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown	Total
Medicaid	14.5%	79.9%	5.6%	100.0%
Insurance	19.8%	66.3%	14.0%	100.0%
Self-Pay	25.5%	69.1%	5.4%	100.0%
Other	21.9%	78.1%	0.0%	100.0%
Unknown	-	-	-	-
Total	19.9%	74.4%	5.7%	100.0%

APPENDIX A

Definition of Terms

Gestational Age: The number of weeks between the first day of the last menstrual period and the date of delivery or the end of the pregnancy. This report uses the physician's estimate of gestational age. If no estimate is provided, gestational age is computed based on the date of termination and reported last menses date, if available.

Spontaneous Abortion: The loss of a fetus during pregnancy due to natural causes.

Induced Termination of Pregnancy: The purposeful interruption of pregnancy with the intention other than to produce a live-born infant or to remove a dead fetus, and which does not result in a live birth.

Induced Termination Procedures

Suction Curettage (Vacuum Aspiration): A frequently performed procedure that is generally used in the first 12 weeks of gestation (the first trimester). This procedure is done on an outpatient basis and may be done in a physician's office or a clinic. After the cervix is dilated, a flexible cannula (a small, hollow tube) is inserted into the uterus through the cervix. The tube is attached to a pump, which is used to evacuate the uterine contents through the cannula.

Dilation and Evacuation: A procedure that is generally used after 12 weeks of gestation and is usually done on an outpatient basis. Dilation and Evacuation may involve a combination of vacuum aspiration, dilation and curettage (D&C), and the use of surgical instruments (such as forceps).

Sharp Curettage (Dilation and Curettage): Requires the dilation (temporary widening) of the cervix (the uterine opening). The fetal and placental tissues are then removed with a curette.

Saline/Prostaglandin (Intrauterine Instillation):

Rarely used procedures that involve either withdrawing a portion of amniotic fluid from the uterine cavity by a needle inserted through the abdominal wall and replacing this fluid with a concentrated salt solution (known as saline instillation) or injecting a prostaglandin (a substance with hormone-like activity) into the amniotic sac (known as intra-uterine prostaglandin instillation). Both processes induce labor, resulting in the expulsion of the fetus.

Hysterectomy: A surgical procedure in which the uterus is removed either with the fetus inside or after the fetus has been removed. It is rarely performed in association with an induced termination, and then only when a pathological condition of the uterus (such as fibroid tumors) or an emergency warrants its removal.

Hysterotomy: A surgical procedure that involves surgical entry into the uterus (as in a cesarean section) and the removal of a fetus that is too small to survive, even with extraordinary life support measures. Hysterotomy is rarely performed and then only if other induced termination procedures fail.

Mifepristone (RU-486): Usually used along with a prostaglandin for ending pregnancies of up to 70 days gestation. The administration of mifepristone causes the placenta to detach from the uterine wall. A second drug (misoprostol) is given two days later to induce uterine contractions, expelling the products of conception.

Methotrexate: Interferes with the vitamin folic acid and kills rapidly growing cells. It is also used for the nonsurgical treatment of ectopic pregnancies (when fertilized eggs grow outside the uterus). Methotrexate is administered by injection and is followed 5 to 7 days later with misoprostol to stimulate uterine contractions.

APPENDIX B

Sample of Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy Form

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT OF INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY																		
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT																		
1) PATIENT'S AGE 	2) DATE OF PREGNANCY TERMINATION (MM/DD/YY) ____/____/____	3) CITY WHERE TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY OCCURRED 																
4) PATIENT'S ETHNICITY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-HISPANIC <input type="checkbox"/> MEXICAN <input type="checkbox"/> PUERTO RICAN <input type="checkbox"/> CUBAN <input type="checkbox"/> CENTRAL OR SOUTH AMERICAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER OR UNKNOWN HISPANIC	5) PATIENT'S RACE <input type="checkbox"/> WHITE <input type="checkbox"/> AFRICAN AMERICAN (BLACK) <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE ALASKAN OR AMERICAN INDIAN <input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____	6) CITY AND STATE WHERE PATIENT RESIDES 																
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