

Abortion Health & Safety Checklist

- ___ Are you pregnant?
- ___ Are you sure you have a viable, uterine pregnancy? Viable means that your pregnancy is capable of developing under normal conditions.
- ___ Do you know about the different types of abortion procedures?
- ___ How far along are you?
- ___ Which abortion procedure is right for you?
- ___ What do you know about psychological and emotional impact associated with abortion procedure?
- ___ What do you know about physical complications associated with the abortion procedure?
- ___ Do you know if the abortion clinic will treat you for any complications?
- ___ If you need to be hospitalized, does the doctor have hospital privileges?
- ___ Have there been any lawsuits filed against the doctor or clinic?
- ___ Do you have a sexually transmitted infection right now? Have you been tested?
- ___ What do you know about fetal development?

Often women facing an unplanned pregnancy feel they just want to get out of the situation as quickly as possible. Sometimes abortion seems like the answer that will end all of the problems, but this is one of the most important decisions you will ever make. It is not a decision that should be made hastily. For your own health and safety, you should make every effort to be completely and accurately informed. If you are not sure about any of the above questions, a volunteer from CPC will provide you with information that will help you to understand and answer the above questions.