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Compassionate & Professional Abortion Care

Since 1977, the Feminist Women's Health Center has been nationally recognized for our excellence, safety, and compassion in abortion medicine. Our reputation for quality abortion care is the result of our dedication to providing professional and respectful healthcare services. Accredited by the National Abortion Federation, the Feminist Center serves women throughout the entire southeastern region.

Our licensed physicians perform all abortions. Specially trained and caring health advocates support each woman before, during, and after the procedure. We believe in informed consent and we want you to know the facts.

All abortion clients undergo pre-operative medical review including ultra-sound, lab work and physical exam. Each woman's care includes personal counseling and referrals for other options and services if she chooses not to have an abortion.

For pregnancies with fetal anomalies or those that are the result of rape or incest, the Feminist Center has specialized private counseling and a private environment for the woman and her family during her (their) visit to our clinic. We also offer sensitive clinical care for violence survivors.

We offer culturally sensitive and appropriate care. On a typical clinic day, there are five languages spoken including Spanish. Translators can be arranged for other languages upon request.

Medical Abortion (The "Abortion Pill")
– Up to 7 weeks

For clients within a one-hour of the clinic, an early option, non-surgical abortion is available by using Mifeprex, a pill that blocks progesterone, a hormone necessary for a pregnancy to continue. Clients take Mifeprex followed by misoprostol, which causes uterine contractions that help end pregnancy.

First Trimester Abortion - 6 to 12 weeks

The procedure used in first trimester abortions is vacuum aspiration. The procedure begins with a small tube inserted into the cervix, the opening of the uterus. Then the physician will use an aspirator, a medical instrument that creates gentle suction, to remove the contents of the uterus. Clients having first trimester abortions have the option of local or general anesthesia.

Second Trimester Abortion – 13 to 24 weeks*

The second trimester procedure is Dilation and Evacuation (the D & E). This method begins with placing *laminaria*, medically prepared seaweed, into the cervix to gently open it so that the physician can perform the procedure. Clients having this procedure are provided general anesthesia. The D & E is a 2-day procedure in which the client returns to the clinic on the second day after the cervix is sufficiently dilated to perform the surgery. In these instances, you are required to stay in the Atlanta area overnight, or live within one hour of the clinic.



**Abortions due to health concerns, fetal anomalies, rape or incest are performed for pregnancies up to 26 weeks. Additional counseling referrals are offered and provided as part of each woman's care.*

For more information about our professional, affordable healthcare, please visit www.feministcenter.org, or contact us at:

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