

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT EARLY PREGNANCY

You may have a pregnancy 8 weeks or less from your last period, which is considered early for the purpose of abortion. Many women have an abortion at this stage of the pregnancy. There are some things you may need to know before proceeding:

1. The pregnancy at this stage is small so there is a greater risk of missed pregnancy.
2. Your pregnancy could be in your fallopian tube, called an ectopic pregnancy. Ectopic pregnancy is very rare and is a pre-existing medical condition which abortion will not end.
3. It is possible you may require further evaluation and special blood tests **after** the abortion and you will be responsible for the costs of these tests. These may include one or more of the following:
  - Early pregnancy urine test (\$10)
  - Blood pregnancy test (\$70)
  - Laboratory examination of the tissue (\$50)

I understand I may have the abortion today with these extra risks and expenses or postpone the abortion for another week. I understand these alternatives and request the abortion be performed today.

Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_