

## INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ABORTION APPOINTMENT

To schedule an appointment for an abortion, please call (800) 230-PLAN (7526) or online at: [www.ppkeystone.org](http://www.ppkeystone.org)

### Before Your Appointment

- All patients are required by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania\* to attend an information session at least 24 hours prior to the abortion.
- This session must take place **no less than 24 hours before the abortion**, but can be scheduled more than 24 hours ahead of time. This session can be completed during an audio phone visit, or in-person. Non-English and non-Spanish speaking patients, as well as those needing ASL interpretation have the option to complete the consent in-person at a health center or virtually via telehealth with interpretation.
- The doctor cannot perform a procedure on a patient who has not completed this requirement.
- Please note: If you are **UNDER 18**, you must do your information session in person at a health center with a parent or legal guardian to sign for consent. The **same** parent or guardian must accompany you to your procedure. If this is not possible, **judicial bypass** is available. If seeking judicial bypass, please ask one of our staff for more information.

**\*The Abortion Control Act (1989)** -The Abortion Control Act requires that anyone having an abortion in Pennsylvania has an information session with a doctor prior to their abortion. For more information: [www.guttmacher.org/fact-sheet/state-facts-about-abortion-pennsylvania](http://www.guttmacher.org/fact-sheet/state-facts-about-abortion-pennsylvania)

### Preparing for Your Appointment

*On the day of your procedure:*

- **Bring your photo ID:** current, unexpired photo identification with your picture and date of birth is required. Accepted forms of ID include Driver's License, State ID, Passport, Military ID, or Visa with photo.
- Patients under 18 **MUST** have a parent or legal guardian present with picture ID and documentation identifying their relationship to you (e.g., birth certificate). This must be the **same** parent or legal guardian that attended the information session at least 24 hours prior to this appointment.
- Wear **comfortable clothing and underwear** that can support a pad.
- Prepare to be in the center for about **2 to 4 hours** on average.
  - We suggest you **bring a book** or a **small handheld device** with a **charger and headphones**.
- **We are no longer allowing support persons in observance of COVID regulations.** We will continue to monitor the situation to determine when support persons will be allowed again.
- All patients must wear a surgical mask upon entering the health center. If you do not have one, we will provide you with one.
- Make arrangements for childcare if necessary; **children are not allowed in the center.**
- Give yourself time to find parking and check in. Parking recommendations per location are below.
- **Please eat** prior to your appointment: we suggest that you **have a light meal** before you come to the center. We also recommend that you **bring a water bottle and light snacks** to have while you wait.
- Please note: no video (chatting or recording) is allowed. This is to ensure the privacy of all patients and staff.

**In-Clinic Abortion (local anesthesia only)** Visit: <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/health-topics/abortion/in-clinic-abortion-procedures-4359.asp> **for more information**

*What to Expect:*

- You will have an ultrasound, lab work, an education session, and birth control consultation (if desired) before seeing the doctor.
- You will receive an antibiotic and ibuprofen, as well as a medicine injected into the cervix to help decrease any discomfort.
- You will be awake and can expect cramping during your procedure. The procedure takes about 5-10 minutes. The doctor will confirm the procedure is complete. Afterwards you will spend a short period of time in the recovery room before being able to go home.

**Abortion by Pill (Medication Abortion)** Visit: <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/health-topics/abortion/abortion-pill-medication-abortion-4354.asp> **for more information**

*What to Expect in the Center:*

- You will have an ultrasound, lab work, an education session, and birth control consultation (if desired) before seeing the doctor.
- You will be given one pill that stops the growth of the pregnancy. A second set of medications is taken 0-48 hours after the first pill that empties the uterus. We'll review when and how to take these medications.

### What to Expect While at Home:

- Cramping and bleeding often start 2 to 4 hours after you take the second set of the medications. This is how the pregnancy passes. It can last for several hours and it is heaviest when the pregnancy comes out.
- The pregnancy is very small. You may or may not see it, depending on how many weeks the pregnancy is. The cramping and bleeding will slow down after you pass the pregnancy.
- You will need to follow up in one of our centers **one to two weeks after** your appointment to make sure the procedure worked. Or, you can take an at home pregnancy test **5 weeks after your appointment** and follow up with a staff member over the phone. You can schedule to be seen for continued birth control at any point.

## Payment Information

- **Procedure costs are listed below.** Prices include all tests, labs, consultation, and medications. Payment is **due in full on arrival** on the day of the appointment in cash, credit/debit cards (Visa, MasterCard, or Discover), or a money order. No checks. **If you are using someone else's credit/debit card**, that person must be present at your appointment with **ID matching the name on the card**.
- If you would like to hear about **financial assistance**, call us at 610-481-0481. If you qualify for assistance, these discounts will only apply if you have the procedure.
- Quoted costs are based on information you have provided to determine if you are eligible for funding. These costs are subject to change at the time of your appointment based on procedure type and the gestational age of pregnancy confirmed by ultrasound.
- If you suspect, or it is determined, that you are having a miscarriage, our clinicians and staff can take care of you. Depending on the care needed, fees may be comparable to those listed below. You may be able to use your insurance for this care.

Ultrasound only (if completed but no procedure)	\$125
Abortion by pill (5-11 weeks)	\$550
In Clinic Abortion (5-11.6 weeks)	\$550
In Clinic Abortion (12-13.6 weeks)	\$600

- **We accept some insurances**, and it is possible they may pay for part or all of your procedure. However, your insurance **must be verified prior to your appointment**. Please inform us that you'd like to use your insurance when you schedule your appointment to confirm coverage and expected payment.
- PA Medicaid will cover the cost of an In-Clinic abortion **only** in the case of rape, incest or threat to life. Please **notify us if this applies** to you when scheduling your appointment as you and the doctor need to complete additional forms **prior to the procedure**.

## Services by Location, Addresses, & Parking Information

*\*If travel is difficult for you, please call us to discuss financial options.\**

<b>Allentown</b> (In-Clinic and Abortion by pill) 29 North 9 <sup>th</sup> Street Allentown, PA 18101 Recommended Parking: Spiral Parking Deck \$1/hour, not validated	<b>Bensalem</b> (Abortion by pill only) 2185 Galloway Rd Bensalem, PA 19020 Parking: onsite parking	<b>Harrisburg</b> (Abortion by pill only) 1514 N 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street Harrisburg, PA 17102 Parking: Street parking
<b>Reading</b> (Abortion by pill only) 1920 Kutztown Road; Suite H Reading, PA 19604 Parking: onsite parking	<b>Warminster</b> (In-Clinic and Abortion by pill) 610 Louis Drive Warminster, PA 18974 Parking: onsite parking	<b>Wilkes Barre</b> (Abortion by Pill only) 101 N. Main Street Wilkes Barre, PA 18701 Parking: Metered street parking only
<b>York</b> (In-Clinic and Abortion by pill) 728 South Beaver Street York, PA 17401 Parking: onsite parking	Surgical locations highlighted in gray	

## Safety and Support

### Please be aware protesters may be present the day of your visit.

- We encourage you to ignore them. If they hand you materials that you don't want, feel free to discard them yourself or give them to one of our staff to discard once entering our center.
- All centers have security staff posted outside. You may be greeted by friendly volunteers wearing pink vests that say, "clinic escort volunteers." They are there to support you as you walk into our center.

*We're here to help. Please contact us with any questions you may have before your appointment.*