



## **Few Legal Restrictions**

Maryland has few legal restrictions on abortion until late in pregnancy. Women who want an abortion in the state of Maryland can get one on the same day.

## Viability Restrictions Can Be Waived

Maryland law makes abortion legal until a fetus is viable - meaning until it can survive outside the womb. Most doctors interpret viability as the 24th week of pregnancy. But the law also waives the viability restriction if a woman's life is in danger, or if the fetus has serious birth defects



## **Patient Privacy**

Maryland does not require women under the age of 18 to get parental consent for an abortion. Doctors must inform parents if a minor has an abortion, but they can waive this requirement if they believe the notification endangers the patient.

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