

## Mifepristone & Misoprostol for Abortion

### *Up to 10 weeks (70 days since LMP):*

- Mifepristone 200mg orally
- Misoprostol 800mcg buccally, sublingually or vaginally 1–2 days after mifepristone
- Women with pregnancies up to 10 weeks may safely self-administer mifepristone and misoprostol outside of a health facility
- Effectiveness 97%

### *10-13 weeks:*

- Mifepristone 200mg orally
- Misoprostol 800mcg vaginally 1–2 days after mifepristone, then 400mcg sublingually or vaginally every 3 hours until expulsion
- Effectiveness 96%

### *At or after 13 weeks:*

- Mifepristone 200mg orally
- Misoprostol 400mcg buccally, sublingually or vaginally 1–2 days after mifepristone, then every 3 hours until fetal and placental expulsion
- Effectiveness 95% at 48 hours

## Misoprostol Only for Abortion

### *Before 13 weeks:*

- Misoprostol 800mcg sublingually or vaginally every 3 hours until expulsion
- Effectiveness 85%

### *At or after 13 weeks:*

- Misoprostol 400mcg sublingually or vaginally every 3 hours until fetal and placental expulsion
- Effectiveness 64% at 24 hours

## Misoprostol for Incomplete or Missed Abortion (Postabortion Care)\*

### *Less than 13 weeks uterine size:*

- Incomplete abortion
  - Misoprostol 600mcg orally or 400mcg sublingually or vaginally (in the absence of vaginal bleeding) in a single dose
  - Effectiveness 80–99%
- Missed abortion
  - Misoprostol 800mcg vaginally in a single dose or 600mcg sublingually every 3 hours until expulsion, for a maximum of 3 doses
  - Effectiveness 88–92%

### *13 weeks or larger uterine size:*

- Misoprostol in a dose of at least 200mcg buccally, sublingually or vaginally every 6 hours until expulsion
- Misoprostol-only or mifepristone-misoprostol regimen for induced abortion at or after 13 weeks can also be used
- Effectiveness 78–100% at 48 hours

\* *Incomplete abortion is defined as a spontaneous or induced abortion where some pregnancy tissue passes out of the uterus but some remains. Missed abortion is a type of spontaneous abortion where the pregnancy stops developing normally but remains in the uterus, and the woman has no symptoms.*