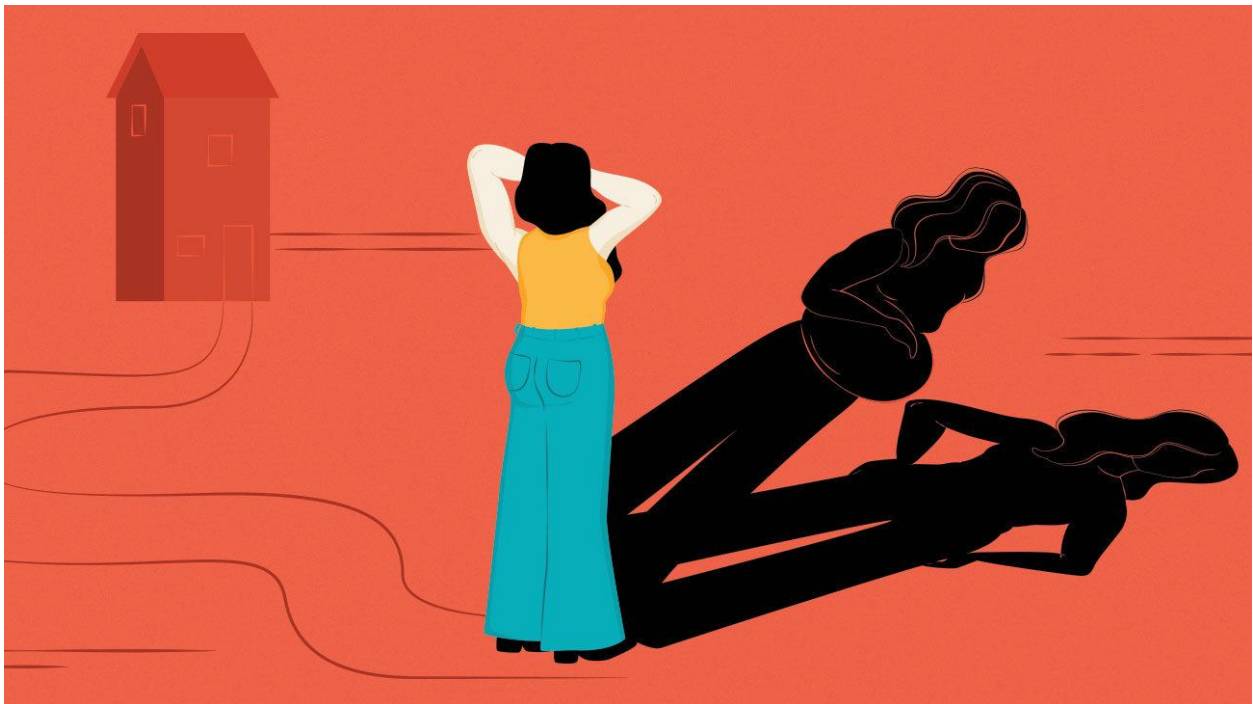


# Dangers of Self-Induced Abortions

## Why are women inducing their own abortion?

An unplanned pregnancy can lead a woman to feel like she has no options. There could be many reasons a woman would try to induce her own abortion. Some of these reasons include financial instability and abusive relationships. Even though these might be good reasons for a woman to end their pregnancy, it might not be lawful.



## IN NYC...

In New York, abortions can be done by a healthcare professional if the pregnancy has not passed 24 weeks. After this time, it can only be done if there is risk for the baby or the mother.

### What are some dangers of at home abortions?

- Incomplete Abortion
- Infection
- Hemorrhage
- Scarring
- Toxicity
- Contamination

**The criminalization of pregnant and miscarrying women and women who self-induce abortion does not advance women's health or address the underlying societal and public health issues.**