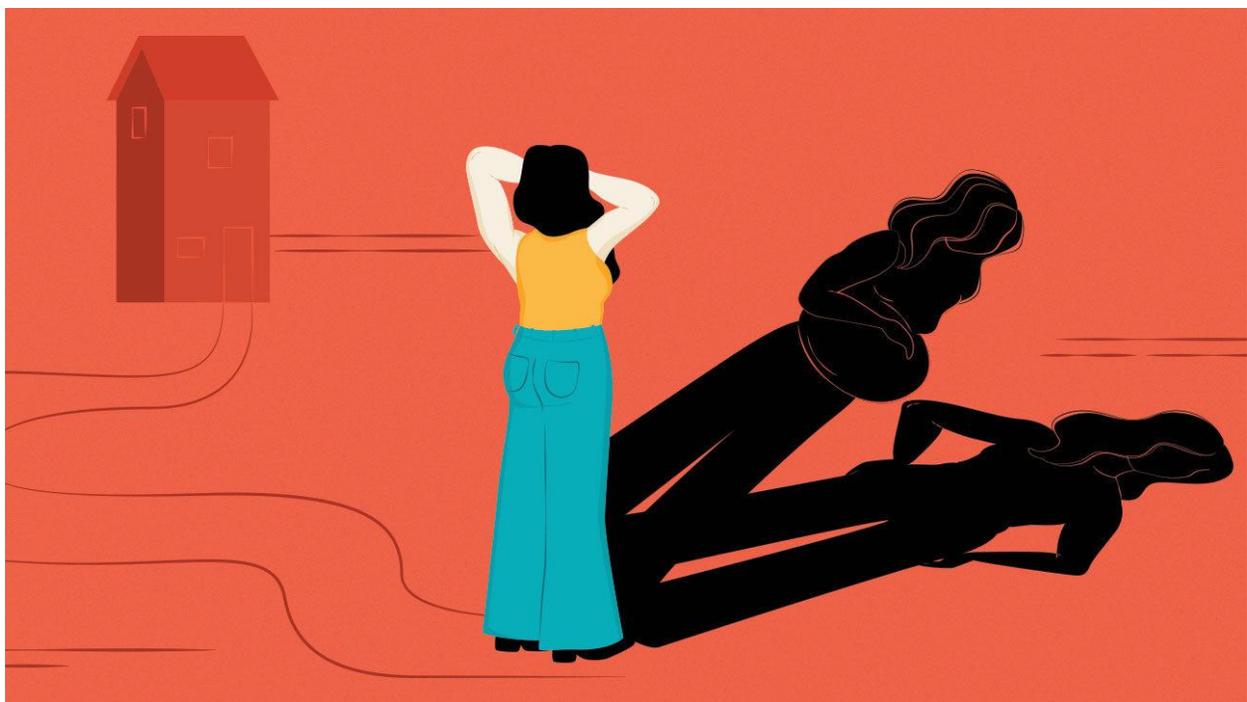


Dangers of Self-Induced Abortions

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.

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It is incredibly important that women know the dangers of self-inducing their own abortions. Women are often put in a position where they might not be able to receive a medical abortion. I wanted to be able to create a visual that would inform women that sometimes inducing your own abortion can bring more serious medical issues. I believe this visual poster would be helpful to put in public areas like doctor offices and public transportation. My poster contains an image that would help viewers understand how women have to take a big decision when it comes to abortion. Many factors can cause a woman to not want to continue her pregnancy. I want viewers to put themselves in a women's position and feel how hard it can be. This can be a very fearful experience for women. Many women feel much pain physically and emotionally while going through abortion.

In the image, the woman's body language shows her being unsure of having a child. She is stressing while looking at her image while pregnant and not pregnant. After introducing my topic on my poster, I made sure to also inform the viewer of the current state laws for abortion. This is important for people to see since after 24 weeks, it is unlawful to get an abortion if you are not in a riskful pregnancy. It was also important for me to include the statistics of women who have faced consequences because of causing their own abortion. This was something that surprised me when I was doing research because I did not think women would be penalized for ordering abortion pills online after 24 weeks. Instead of women being protected, abortion laws causes the wrong to be criminalized.

The last image included in my poster states that abortion should be accesable by all. Women should not feel like they can not go to doctor for an abortion because of financial issues. Women should also not be shamed by society for having reasons to not want to have a child. The last part of my poster shows that punishing women for self inducing abortions has no benefit. Women are just shamed more by society and it does not actually help the issue. Instead the government should make abortion affordable so women would have acess to it. I want my poster to be able to be seen by many to try to avoid women getting hurt by an unwanted pregnancy.