

Delaware

State mandated information

The State of Delaware requires the treating physician to orally inform a woman of: (1) the abortion procedure to be used; (2) the effects of the abortion on the woman, including the effects on future childbirth or pregnancy; (3) the probable gestational age of the fetus at the time of the abortion; (4) the risks of the abortion procedure; (5) an explanation of the reasonable alternatives to abortion including reasonable alternative procedures or methods of abortion.

State prepared materials

The State of Delaware does not require a woman to view state prepared materials before an abortion.

Mandatory delay requirement

The State of Delaware imposes a mandatory 24 hour delay before a woman can have an abortion.

Del. Code. Ann. tit. 24 §1794 (Enacted 1979).

In 2003, a court held that the State's mandatory 24 hour delay was unconstitutional and permanently enjoined its enforcement. Planned Parenthood of Del. v. Brady, No. 03-153(SLR), 2003 U.S. Dist. 10099, at *6 (D. Del. June 9, 2003).