

Georgia

State mandated information

The State of Georgia requires the physician performing the abortion, the referring physician or an agent of either physician to orally inform a woman either in person or by phone of: (1) the medical risks of the abortion procedure; (2) the probable gestational age of the “unborn child” at the time of the abortion; (3) the medical risks of carrying the pregnancy to term; (4) the availability of medical assistance benefits for prenatal care, childbirth and neonatal care ; (5) the child support obligations of the father; and (6) the right to review state prepared materials.

State prepared materials

Under Georgia law, the physician performing the abortion, the referring physician or an agent of either physician, must inform a woman either in person or by phone of her right to review state prepared materials by mail or online at least 24 hours before her abortion. These materials include a list of agencies offering abortion alternatives, the probable anatomical and physiological characteristics of the “unborn child” at two week increments including information on the unborn child’s chances of survival and stages of development and a statement regarding unborn children of 20 weeks or more and fetal pain.

Mandatory delay requirements

The State of Georgia imposes a mandatory delay of 24 hours before a woman can have an abortion.

Ga. Code Ann. §§ 31-9A-1 to -8 (Enacted 2005).