PROCEDURAL ABORTION CARE FOR PEOPLE IN PRISON IN CANADA





Wellness Within: An Organization for Health and Justice is a registered non-profit organization working for reproductive justice, prison abolition, and health equity in K'jipuktuk, Mi'kma'ki (Halifax, Nova Scotia). Wellness Within volunteers provide full spectrum doula support to pregnant people in prisons in Nova Scotia and experiencing criminalization in the community.

Barriers to abortion care inequitably restrict people with unintended pregnancy from attaining education and employment opportunities, cause entrenchment in violent relationships, and prevent people from choosing to parent when they are ready and able. People in prison are disproportionately likely to have experienced poverty, unemployment, restricted educational attainment, and childhood and gender violence. Further, people in prison face significant barriers to parenting, routine separation from their children, and vulnerability to permanent loss of custody. Access to abortion is a critical service for people experiencing incarceration. We developed this guide to support patients, providers and prison staff to navigate access to services.

Despite the improvements to access facilitated by Health Canada approval and widespread availability of mifepristone (medication abortion) since 2015, its use may be problematic in prison. The medication regimen requires the pills be taken 24-48 hours apart and causes heavy bleeding and pain, challenging for patients in prisons due to lack menstrual supplies, and unhygienic and isolating contexts. For this reason, this guide focuses on access to procedural abortion.

FEDERAL INSTITUTIONS

	NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Nova Institution for Women	Colchester East Hants Health Centre 600 Abenaki Rd, Truro, NS	1.5 km
Joliette Institution for Women	CLSC de Joliette 380 boul. Base-de-Roc, Joliette, QC	2.9 km
Grand Valley Institution for Women	Freeport Health Centre 3570 King St E, Kitchener, ON	10.2 km
Edmonton Institution for Women	Woman's health options clinic 12409 109A Ave, Edmonton, AB	7.7 km
Okimaw Ohci Healing Lodge for Aboriginal Women	Regina General Hospital 1440 14 Ave, Regina, SK	381 km
Fraser Valley Institution for Women	Everywoman's Health Centre 2525 Commercial Dr #210, Vancouver, BC	66.2 km
Buffalo Sage Wellness House	Royal Alexandra Hospital 10240 Kingsway NW, Edmonton, AB	2.8 km

IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTRES

	NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Toronto Immigration Holding Centre	Women's Care Clinic Toronto 960 Lawrence Ave W, North York, ON	13.2 km
Laval Immigration Holding Centre	Hôpital de la Cité-de-la- Santé 1755, boul. René-Laennec, Laval, Québec	7.7 km
Vancouver immigration Holding Centre	CARE clinic, BC Women's Hospital 4500 Oak Street, Vancouver BC	10.2 km

FEDERAL PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT CENTRES

	NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Regional Psychiatric Centre	Saskatoon City Hospital Women's Health Centre 701 Queen St, Saskatoon, SK	6.2 km
L'Institut Philippe- Pinel of Montreal	CLSC de Rivière-des- Prairies 8655 Bd Perras, Montreal, Québec	6.0 km

PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL INSTITUTIONS

	NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Central Nova Scotia Correctional Facility	NS Women's Choice Clinic, VG Hospital, Halifax 1276 South Park St, Halifax, NS	12 km
Cape Breton Correctional Facility	Colchester East Hants Health Centre 600 Abenaki Rd, Truro, NS	319 km
New Brunswick Women's Correctional Centre	Chaleur Regional Hospital in Bathurst 1750 Sunset Dr, Bathurst, NB	86 km
Newfoundland & Labrador Correctional Centre for Women	Athena Clinic, St. John's 215 Lemarchant Rd, St. John's, NL	190km
Her Majesty's Penitentiary	Athena Clinic, St. John's 215 Lemarchant Rd, St. John's, NL	3.3 km
Provinical Correctional Centre, Charlottetown	Prince County Hospital, Summerside, PE 65 Roy Boates Ave, Summerside, PE	56 km
Centre de détention Québec (secteur feminin)	Hopital St Francois d'Assise 10 Rue de l'Espinay, Québec, QC	11.6 km
Etablisement de detention Laval (Leclerq de Laval)	Hôpital de la Cité-de-la-Santé 1755, boul. René-Laennec, Laval , QC	7.7 km
Algoma Treatment and Remand Center	Sault Area Hospital 750 Great Northern Rd, Sault Ste. Marie, ON	1.4 km
Vanier Centre for Women	Mississauga Women's Clinic 101 Queensway W #401, Mississauga, ON	34.6 km
Central East Correctional Centre	Peterborough Regional Health Centre 1 Hospital Drive Peterborough, ON	42 km
Monteith Correctional Complex	Options Clinic at Health Sciences, North / Horizon Santé-Nord 41 Ramsey Lake Rd, Sudbury, ON	387 km
Elgin-Middlesex Detention Centre	London Health Sciences, Victoria Hospital 800 Commissioners Rd E, London, ON	14.2 km

NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Morgentaler Clinic 65 Bank St, Ottawa, ON	11.7 km
Kingston General Hospital 76 Stuart St, Kingston, ON	45.4 km
Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre 980 Oliver Rd, Thunder Bay, ON	16 km
Hamilton Health Sciences Hospital 1200 Main St W, Hamilton, ON	6.4 km
London Health Sciences, Victoria Hospital 800 Commissioners Rd E, London, ON	174 km
Women's Health Clinic, Winnipeg 419 Graham Ave 3rd Floor, Winnipeg, MB	357 km
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Options Clinic at Health Sciences, North / Horizon Santé-Nord 41 Ramsey Lake Rd, Sudbury, ON	131 km
London Health Sciences, Victoria Hospital 800 Commissioners Rd E, London, ON	110 km
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Brandon Regional Health Centre/ Prairie Mountain Health 150 McTavish Ave E, Brandon, MB	3.6 km
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Women's Health Clinic 346 Portage Avenue, Unit 2 (2nd Floor) Winnipeg MB	700 metres
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White Birch Female Remand Unit, Regina Provincial Correctional Centre	Regina General Hospital Women's Health Centre 1440 14 Ave, Regina, SK	10 km
Pine Grove Correctional Centre	Saskatoon City Hospital 701 Queen St, Saskatoon, SK	144 km
Calgary Correctional Centre	Kensington Clinic 2431 5 Ave NW, Calgary, AB	17 km
Fort Saskatchewan Correctional Centre	Royal Alexandra Hospital 10240 Kingsway NW, Edmonton, AB	37.6 km
Lethbridge Correctional Centre	Kensington Clinic 2431 5 Ave NW, Calgary, AB	222 km
Peace River Correctional Centre	Women's Health Clinic of Edmonton 11010 101 St NW #604, Edmonton, AB	519 km
Calgary Remand Centre	Kensington Clinic 2431 5 Ave NW, Calgary, AB	17.3 km
Edmonton Remand Centre	Women's Health Clinic of Edmonton 11010 101 St NW #604, Edmonton, AB	14 km
Medicine Hat Remand Centre	Peter Lougheed Centre 3500 26 Ave NE, Calgary, AB	287 km
Red Deer Remand Centre	Peter Lougheed Centre 3500 26 Ave NE, Calgary, AB	146 km
Alouette Correctional Facility	Everywoman's Health Centre 2525 Commercial Dr #210, Vancouver, BC	46.7 km
Okanagan Correctional Centre	Kelowna General Hospital 2268 Pandosy St, Kelowna, BC	97.2 km
Prince George Regional Correctional Centre	Kelowna General Hospital 2268 Pandosy St, Kelowna, BC	679 km
Fort Smith Correctional Complex	Stanton Territorial Hospital 548 Byrne Rd, Yellowknife, NT	738 km
Whitehorse Correctional Centre	Opal Clinic, Whitehorse 406 Lambert St, Whitehorse, YT	4.1 km
Nunavut Women's Correctional Centre	Qikiqtani Regional Hospital Niaqunngusiariaq, Iqaluit, NU	2.3 km
Correctional Centre	Niaqunngusiariaq, Iqaluit, NU	Ū

YOUTH DETENTION CENTRES

	NEAREST PROCEDURAL ABORTION FACILITY	DISTANCE
Isumaqsunngittukkuvik Youth Facility	Qikiqtani General Hospital Niaqunngusiariaq, Iqaluit, NU	2.3 km
Nova Scotia Youth Centre	Valley Regional Hospital 150 Exhibition St, Kentville, NS	16.7 km
Newfoundland and Labrador Youth Centre	Athena Clinic, St John's 215 Lemarchant Rd, St. John's, NL	67 km
PEI Youth Centre	Prince County Hospital, Summerside 65 Roy Boates Ave, Summerside, PE	3.4 km
New Brunswick Youth Centre	Chaleur Regional Hospital in Bathurst 1750 Sunset Dr, Bathurst, NB	86 km
Centre Jeunesse de Laval	CLSC du Marigot 1351 Boulevard des Laurentides, Vimont, QC	4.9 km
Roy McMurtry Youth Centre	Brampton Women's Clinic 2250 Bovaird Dr E Suite 602, Brampton, ON	12.8 km
Near North Youth Centre	Options Clinic at Health Sciences, North / Horizon Santé-Nord 41 Ramsey Lake Rd, Sudbury, ON	133 km
Manitoba Youth Centre	Women's Health Clinic 419 Graham Ave 3rd Floor, Winnipeg, MB	5.9 km
Burnaby Youth Custody Services Centre	Everywoman's Health Centre 2525 Commercial Dr #210, Vancouver, BC	12.9 km
Prince George Youth Custody Centre	Kelowna General Hospital 2268 Pandosy St, Kelowna, BC	678 km
North Slave Correctional Complex - Youth Unit	Stanton Territorial Hospital 548 Byrne Rd, Yellowknife, NT	1.4 km
Yukon Young Offenders Facility	Opal Clinic, Whitehorse 406 Lambert St, Whitehorse, YT	0.1 km



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