

In collaboration with the <u>Society of Rural Physicians of Canada</u>, the <u>National Abortion Federation (NAF) Canada</u> has launched an online training course to help primary care providers in rural and remote regions offer medication abortion to their patients. The live portion of the course will feature experienced medication abortion providers practicing in rural and remote parts of Canada. Discussions will focus on overcoming barriers to offering medication abortion in settings with limited resources.

WHY OFFER MEDICATION ABORTION?

More than 80,000 Canadians choose abortion each year. Research shows that many would prefer to obtain abortion care from their primary care provider, the health care provider who they know and trust, instead of going to an abortion clinic.¹

MEDICATION ABORTION IS SAFE AND EFFECTIVE

Medication abortion with mifepristone and misoprostol is a safe and effective way for primary care providers to offer abortion care. Sold under the brand name Mifegymiso[®], the medications are covered by provincial health insurance and are approved for use up to 9 weeks of pregnancy.

ONLINE TRAINING WITH MAINPRO+® CREDITS

NAF Canada's online training course on medication abortion is designed specifically for primary care providers. Training is delivered through 6 self-paced modules and 1 live session. Topics covered include medication abortion protocols, patient-centered counselling, and how to offer medication abortion in a primary care setting. Up to 6 Mainpro+® credits are available.

TRAINING DATES

The self-paced modules will be available for completion starting Monday, October 11. Each module takes approximately 30-60 minutes to complete. For your convenience, two live session dates are available:

- Tuesday, October 26 from 6:00 7:00 pm EDT / 3:00 4:00 pm PDT
- Thursday, October 28 from 8:00 9:00 pm EDT / 5:00 6:00 pm PDT

To register, please visit the registration page and select the Rural and Remote course option. Additional training sessions will be available this Winter. For the most up-to-date list of sessions please see the registration page or contact canada@prochoice.org.

REGISTER >

Go to https://cvent.me/YPb9Qy to register for NAF Canada's medication abortion training for primary care providers. If you have questions or need further information please contact canada@prochoice.org.

¹ Vogel KI, LaRoche KJ, El-Haddad J, Chaumont A, Foster AM. Exploring Canadian women's knowledge of and interest in mifepristone: results from a national qualitative study with abortion patients. Contraception. 2016; 94(2):137-142. doi:10.1016/j.contraception.2016.04.008