

Female: A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

[Phone ringing]

Respondent: Presidential Women's Center. This is Lavana. How can I help you?

Caller: Yeah, I was wondering if I could schedule an abortion with you guys. I'm 22 weeks pregnant.

Respondent: Okay. Have you had an ultrasound?

Caller: No, I've just been going off of my last menstrual period.

Respondent: Okay. So where you are in the pregnancy, the first step is to have a consultation, okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: What we're gonna do is we're gonna do an ultrasound, you're gonna have your labs, and we're gonna make sure that we can help you here. And if we can, then you're gonna meet the doctor and have a consultation with the doctor. It's a three-day process 'cause you have to have that consultation first, and then you have – the actual procedure takes two days because the first day we have to dilate your cervix and prepare it well for the procedure to make the procedure safe for you, okay? And then the second day you're going to have – see the doctor for the procedure. So you have the preliminary visit and then the two days of the procedure, okay?

Caller: Okay. So –

Respondent: Right now – we have to see you soon, okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: Because we only go up to 22 and a half weeks here. When was your last period? I want to look at my pregnancy calculator.

Caller: It was July 2nd.

Respondent: It was July 2nd. That was the first day of the period?

Caller: Yes.

Respondent: Okay, July 2nd –

Caller: Yeah, and I was wondering, too, are you – like, am I able to have an abortion after 20 weeks even, like, if I'm healthy and there's nothing wrong with the pregnancy? Is that part of your screening process, or –

Respondent: Yeah, we want to make sure that you're healthy. That's why we do the whole screening as well. As long as everything is fine we can help you up to 22 and a half weeks.

Caller: So there doesn't have to be anything wrong with the baby?

Respondent: No.

Caller: Okay. I just wasn't sure what the law was. What is the law in Florida?

Respondent: No. In the state of Florida we can – we can't go this far, but it's up to 24 weeks in Florida. We're –

Caller: You guys just go up to 22 and a half.

Respondent: We go up to 22 and a half.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: So I mean, like I said, like, you know, obviously time is not our friend right now, so we have to, you know, see you sooner rather than later, okay?

Caller: So how much is the first appointment and how much is the whole procedure?

Respondent: Well, the whole procedure before the financial assistance – because there is financial assistance available – will be – as long as you're 22 weeks it's \$3,650.00. Do you want to see if you qualify for financial assistance?

Caller: No, that's okay.

Respondent: Okay. At the first – the preliminary appointment where we do the consultation, you'll pay \$150.00 of that on that day, okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: And then when you come back for the second day to start the process, that is where you pay the difference, okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: So I can see you tomorrow. Can I have you come in for a 12:30 tomorrow?

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