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### **33 Week Down Syndrome Baby in New Mexico**

Cheyenne: My name is Cheyenne and I needed to speak with someone about a later pregnancy termination.

Female 1: Okay, Cheyenne. Where are you calling from?

Cheyenne: I live in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Female 1: Okay. And have you had an ultrasound done?

Cheyenne: Yes, I have and –

Female 1: And did they give you either a BPD number or a due date or weeks and days?

Cheyenne: And so the estimated due date is May 31st.

Female 1: Did they give you days and weeks at all? Did they say you're so many days and so many weeks?

Cheyenne: 33 weeks today.

Female 1: Is there anything wrong with the pregnancy?

Cheyenne: Yes, my baby has Down syndrome.

Female 1: So looks like we can see you. Do you have any New Mexico Medicaid or commercial insurance?

Cheyenne: No, I don't, but I was told that I might apply. So I could maybe do that tomorrow, but I did want to find out how much the procedure is if I don't qualify.

Female 1: Right. So if you're able to come for us to start this on Monday, which will be April 17th, you're going to be looking at a \$15,500 fee.

Cheyenne: Okay.

Female 1: Okay? And you will need to actually – this is a process of labor and delivery, so we will be spending Monday and possibly Tuesday softening and dilating the cervix, and then on Wednesday we will induce labor. You will be going through the act of labor and delivery of a stillborn fetus.

Cheyenne: If I get Medicaid, the presumptive Medicaid, will it cover the whole fee then?

Female 1: It will cover everything, yes. If you qualify for it and if you get it, it will cover everything. Yes. Now, you know, when you – the reason that I'm pressing for, again, pressing for this kind of Medicaid is 'cause regular Medicaid takes 30 to 45 days. You don't have that time. Presumptive Medicaid, when you walk out of that office tomorrow or Friday, you'll have a paper in your hand. It says "presumptive Medicaid" on it, and that's all you need to bring us. And look at our website because it's very, very inclusive and gives a lot of information. And the, gives – all you have to do is Google Southwestern Women's Options –

Cheyenne: Okay.

Female 1: – and it'll pull it up. Again, lots of information. Lots of information. How we do things, why we do things, you know, some things about our doctors. And sometimes it can be reassuring, I think.

[End of Audio]

**30 Week Abortion New Mexico – shortened audio**

*Georgia:* Southwestern Women's Options. This is Georgia. How can I help you today?

*Female 1:* Yes, I need to schedule an abortion.

*Georgia:* Okay. Do you know the first day of your last normal period?

*Female 1:* Yeah, it was back in October 8th of 2016.

*Georgia:* October 8th. And have you had an ultrasound done?

*Female 1:* Yes, I have.

*Georgia:* Okay.

*Female 2:* Can you tell me, do you have a BPD measurement or a due date?

*Female 1:* I have a due date, July 15th.

*Female 2:* Okay. So yeah, almost 30. 30. Is there anything wrong with the fetus?

*Female 1:* No, there's not. It's more just life happening. My husband lost his job. We already have some kids and were planning to continue the pregnancy, but now with our world falling apart we just felt like this was the best way out.

*Female 2:* Do you yourself have anything going on medically like asthma, diabetes, high blood pressure?

*Female 1:* No.

*Female 2:* Are you currently taking any medications for any reason?

*Female 1:* No.

*Female 2:* Well, the doctor has accepted you as a patient. We'll be scheduling you for Tuesday next week, so we'll be starting on the 9th –

*[End of Audio]*

### **30 Week Abortion New Mexico – full audio**

*Georgia:* Southwestern Women's Options. This is **Georgia**. How can I help you today?

*Denise Chavez:* Yes, I need to schedule an abortion.

*Georgia:* Okay. Do you know the first day of your last normal period?

*Denise Chavez:* Yeah, it was back in October 8th of 2016.

*Georgia:* October 8th. And have you had an ultrasound done?

*Denise Chavez:* Yes, I have.

*Georgia:* Okay. And do you have, have you had any – is this your first pregnancy?

*Denise Chavez:* No, it's not.

*Georgia:* Okay. Any C-sections in your past?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Georgia:* Okay. And where are you calling from?

*Denise Chavez:* I live in Farmington.

*Georgia:* In Farmington. Okay. So let me go ahead and get you to a scheduler. What is your first name?

*Denise Chavez:* Denise.

*Georgia:* Denise. Okay. Hold on one moment, Denise.

*Denise Chavez:* Okay.

*Recorded Voice:* – outpatient abortion services and the first clinic to use IV sedation. Today Dr. Boyd and his medical staff remain personally committed to providing medically safe and emotionally supportive care, including pre-pregnancy testing, confidential individual counseling, medical abortions and surgical abortions in all trimesters. We also offer the morning after prescription and IUD insertion for eligible patients at post-operative checkup. Thank you for –

*Susan:* This is Susan. How may I help you?

*Denise Chavez:* Yes, I wanted to schedule an abortion appointment. I just gave Georgia my information.

*Susan:* Okay.

*Denise Chavez:* I'm gonna be coming down from Farmington.

*Susan:* Okay. Can you tell me, do you have a BPD measurement or a due date?

*Denise Chavez:* I have a due date, July 15th.

*Susan:* Okay. So yeah, almost 30. 30. Is there anything wrong with the fetus?

*Denise Chavez:* No, there's not. It's more just life happening. My husband lost his job. We already have some kids and were planning to continue the pregnancy, but now with our world falling apart we just felt like this was the best way out.

*Susan:* I would need to take some information and take this to the doctor to see if she would accept you as a patient.

*Denise Chavez:* Okay.

*Susan:* Hold on a moment. Okay, let's see. What is your name?

*Denise Chavez:* Denise **Chavez**.

*Susan:* Date of birth?

*Denise Chavez:* 8/2/91.

*Susan:* All right. And how old are you right now?

*Denise Chavez:* 26.

*Susan:* Have you ever had a C-section?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* And you have how many living children?

*Denise Chavez:* Two.

*Susan:* How many times total have you been pregnant?

*Denise Chavez:* Two.

*Susan:* Three with this one?

*Denise Chavez:* Yeah.

*Susan:* Have you had any previous abortions or miscarriages?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Okay. How old is your youngest child?

*Denise Chavez:* Two.

*Susan:* Do you yourself have anything going on medically like asthma, diabetes, high blood pressure?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Okay. How tall are you?

*Denise Chavez:* Five-one.

*Susan:* How much do you weigh?

*Denise Chavez:* 150.

*Susan:* Okay. Do you have any allergies to any medications?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Are you currently taking any medications for any reason?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Have you ever had any surgery in your past?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Do you smoke?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* How do you describe your alcohol consumption, if any?

*Denise Chavez:* None.

*Susan:* Okay. And do you use any recreational drugs?

*Denise Chavez:* No.

*Susan:* Okay. Have you been getting prenatal care for this pregnancy?

*Denise Chavez:* Yes.

*Susan:* Okay. When is the last time you went to the doctor?

*Denise Chavez:* It was about a month ago.

*Susan:* Do you have commercial insurance or New Mexico Medicaid?

*Denise Chavez:* Yeah, it's New Mexico Medicaid.

*Susan:* New Mexico Medicaid? Okay. Okay. So this was originally a wanted pregnancy?

*Denise Chavez:* Yes.

*Susan:* So tell me a little bit about what's happened in your life now. I know you said that your husband just lost his job?

*Denise Chavez:* Yeah, he lost his job and so, you know, that really, we're already struggling to make it as it is. And so he just, obviously that puts a strain on the marriage and everything else, and now with the prospect of another child coming along it's just really weighing heavily on us and adding unneeded stress. So we kinda asked around and people just recommended maybe calling you guys as a means to help with the situation. Certainly not something that we were planning for but, you know, life happens.

*Susan:* Okay. So I think that's all I need right now. I'm gonna – she's here so I'm gonna take this to her. Okay. So let me tell you also a little bit about the procedure that we do here. This will require you to be in Albuquerque from a Monday night through a Friday evening. It's a procedure of termination by induction, so we actually would start on a Tuesday morning. We will take a day or two to soften and dilate the cervix, and then we will induce labor. So you will be going through the act of labor and delivery of a stillborn fetus. We will euthanize the fetus on the first day. And, again, you need to be in Albuquerque during that time.

Well, the doctor has accepted you as a patient. We'll be scheduling you for Tuesday next week, so we'll be starting on the 9th and –

*Denise Chavez:* And the Medicaid that I have covers all of it?

*Susan:* Do you have Medicaid you can go for any reason at all, any kind of medical attention, or is it limited to family planning, or do you know?

*Denise Chavez:* I think it's for anything.

*Susan:* Okay. Let's check it real quick. Okay?

*[End of Audio]*

### **New Mexico Incest Victim**

Interviewer: Southwestern Women's Options. This is Anya. How can I help you?

Interviewee: Hi. I was calling because I was wondering if I could get an abortion even though I'm under 18, and would my parents have to know about it. I mean, I've known I've been pregnant for a while, but it was an older family member that did this to you, and I really don't want them to know that.

Interviewer: So, in New Mexico, we don't have any parental notification laws.

Interviewee: All right.

Interviewer: So you would be fine to come even if you're under 18. But do you have a photo ID?

Interviewee: I do.

Interviewer: Like a school ID or something.

Interviewee: Yeah.

Interviewer: Okay, yeah. You would just have to bring that. Okay. And are you calling from here in New Mexico?

Interviewee: Yes.

Interviewer: All right. Do you know how far along into the pregnancy you are?

Interviewee: I'm 26 weeks.

Interviewer: All right. Let's see. So this procedure, based on the number of weeks that you are, is what we call an induction of labor process. So it does take several days. We like to start this process on a Tuesday.

Interviewee: Well, how much is it?

Interviewer: So, it depends. Do you have any insurance?

Interviewee: No. He was gonna bring me in and pay for it. I mean, I don't – yeah, but I don't have any insurance or anything.

Interviewer: No New Mexico Medicaid?

Interviewee: No.

Interviewer: Okay. So, let's see. I'm gonna quote you a fee for next week, if you came in for Tuesday. So, the fee at that stage is gonna be \$7,500. Now, we can offer some assistance with that. So we offer a loan right off the top of 20 percent. So that is for \$1,500.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: So that would leave you with \$6,000 to come up with.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: Yeah.

Interviewee: All right. So what you're saying is that it would be \$7,500 to come up, and I could do a 20 percent loan.

Interviewer: Right.

Interviewee: Okay. If I had Medicaid, would that cover it?

Interviewer: Yes.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: Well, it depends on what kind of Medicaid, but –

Interviewee: Okay. Could I get Medicaid without my parents knowing?

Interviewer: Um, there is what's called emergency pregnancy Medicaid. So it's presumptive eligibility. So you could try that.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: I can give you a phone number that you can follow up with it.

Interviewee: Yeah. That would be great.

Interviewer: Okay. One moment please. So the phone number is — let's see — 505-841-4137.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: So if you call that, that's an enrollment counselor. She can talk to you about what you need to bring with you to set that appointment up.

Interviewee: Okay. Just one other question. Since I'm young — I mean, I'm only 16 — are there any risks or complications to the procedure?

Interviewer: I mean, there's a risk with any medical procedure. They are real. But, basically, they're the same risks involved in continuing a pregnancy to full term and having a delivery. That's something that we can talk more detailed with you when you get here.

[End of Audio]

### **Arbitrary Who Lives or Dies**

Recorded Voice: Today Dr. Boyd and his medical staff remain personally committed to providing medically safe and emotionally supportive care, including medical abortions and surgical abortions in all trimesters.

Susan: This is Susan. How may I help you?

Female 1: I need to speak with someone about a later pregnancy termination.

Susan: Okay, and have you had an ultrasound done?

Female 1: Yes, I have. And –

Susan: And did they give you either a BPD number or a due date or weeks and days?

Female 1: 33 weeks today.

Susan: Is there anything wrong with the pregnancy?

Female 1: Yes, my baby has Down syndrome.

Susan: Looks like we can see you.

Female 1: Okay. And then just on the procedure itself, like what are the main risks that I'd be looking at?

Susan: [Break in audio] that you would run if you went ahead and did a normal vaginal birth, carried the pregnancy to term and did a normal vaginal birth. Same thing as if you decided to go ahead and keep this pregnancy and go ahead and go through labor and delivery with it, have a live birth instead of a stillbirth, the risks are neck and neck.

Female 2: Dr. Boyd's. How can I help you?

Female 1: Hello. I wanted to request an appointment.

Female 2: Do you know how far along you are?

Female 1: I think I'm due on June 20th, so I think that puts me at like 32.

Female 2: Yeah. So 33 weeks. Do you have a history of C-sections?

Female 1: This is my first pregnancy.

Female 2: And did they tell you if anything was wrong with the pregnancy?

Female 1: Well, no. No.

Female 2: Okay. Unfortunately, ma'am, I think you may be too far for us to see.

Female 1: I've been hearing people saying, "Oh, New Mexico is the place. You know, it's the place to go."

Female 2: Yeah. I mean we do, we're one of three clinics in the nation that do third trimester terminations, but as the pregnancy grows the risk begins to increase to very close to being full term.

Female 1: So what, I mean what are the risks? I mean you just –

Female 2: There's a higher chance of preeclampsia, there's a higher chance of bleeding. We are an outpatient clinic so we're not in a hospital. So the risks of complications can increase. Yeah.

Female 1: I'm like listening to you say about the risks and I get that, but I'm like healthy, you know.

Female 2: Well, it's more of a risk in delivery, because you're actually at higher risk delivering a full-term pregnancy. When you're nearly full term, and most deliveries [break in audio] nowadays they're more labor and deliveries are happening in a hospital. They're –

Female 1: [Break in audio] Because I thought it was legal in New Mexico.

Susan: Well, it's legal but it's not a matter of the legality. It's a matter of how comfortable the doctor feels in performing this termination.

[End of Audio]

### **Baby or Bio-Hazard Waste?**

Female 1: Am I able to see the baby, hold the baby, stuff like that?

Female 2: Yes, ma'am, if that's what you want. We also have a funeral home that we work with here, or that works with us I should say, that does free cremations for our patients. We would give you all that information if that's what you wanted to do. But yes, and we have a woman here who does a beautiful job – she does handprints, footprints. She takes pictures if you want them. You know, you can do a viewing of course if you – some women who come here, you know, bring – they've already got baby clothes. You know, you can bring baby clothes, blankets, anything. You know, she will dress the baby and present it to you.

Female 3: Riverside Funeral Home, how can I help you?

Female 1: Hi. I'm gonna be coming to New Mexico next week to have a procedure done at Southwestern Women's Options, and I understand that you guys handle the cremation of the babies afterwards.

Female 3: That's correct.

Female 1: Is there someone I could speak –

Female 3: Yeah, so we will pick up the baby from – are you going to Southwest?

Female 1: Yes.

Female 3: Okay, yes, we will go and pick up remains. Then depending on how long you stay – I'm not sure – it just depends on what the schedule is in the care facility, you know, on how long it would be before cremated remains were ready.

Female 4: Southwestern Women's Options, this is Sue.

Female 5: Hi. I'm wondering if I can schedule an appointment.

Female 4: Okay, for an abortion procedure?

Female 5: Yes, ma'am.

Female 4: Can you tell me when you had a normal period last?

Female 5: December 7th of last year.

Female 4: Have you – oh, okay. Have you had an ultrasound done?

Female 5: Actually yes, last week.

Female 4: Mm-hmm. And when you had the ultrasound done how far in the pregnancy were you told that you are?

Female 5: I was 25 weeks.

Female 4: Okay.

Female 5: So on your website I guess, I mean, this makes sense, but like footprints and things I can get of the baby – what more do you offer and what's that all about –

Female 4: Well, we usually do that with women who have fetal anomalies.

Female 5: Oh, okay, so like you probably just send the baby to, like, a funeral home or something I guess, but I can't see it or – you know, you'd –

Female 4: No, what we do is there is a – you know, after the procedure there is a company – it's a biohazard company and it picks up all of our biohazard waste, and that includes fetuses.

Female 5: Oh.

Female 4: And then they dispose of it, you know, as they need to legally. Usually it's incinerated. Well, it is incinerated.

Female 5: They burn my \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_?

Female 4: Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.

Female 5: Just \_\_\_\_\_ the whole baby.

Female 4: Mm-hmm.

[End of Audio]

## Unholy Alliance

Interviewee: Dr. Boyd's. This is Susan. How may I help you?

Interviewer: Yes, I was just wondering what services you offer. I'm pregnant and my name's Bethany and I'm just wondering...

Interviewee: We do pregnancy terminations here.

Interviewer: Mm-hmm.

Interviewee: How - what was the first day of your last normal period?

Interviewer: 12/14/16.

Interviewee: Do you know how far you think you are?

Interviewer: 29 weeks, I believe.

Interviewee: Okay. So, where are you calling from?

Interviewer: I'm actually calling from Texas, from Lubbock, Texas.

Interviewee: Okay. So, what we do is, at this time in the pregnancy for terminations, is what we call an induction procedure. It will require you to be in Albuquerque from the Monday afternoon or evening through a Friday afternoon or evening. We'll be spending a couple of days softening and dilating your cervix, and then we will induce labor so you will be going through the active labor and delivery of a stillborn. Is there anything wrong with the pregnancy?

Interviewer: Well, they said they saw an anomaly.

Interviewee: 'Kay. They tell you what they were?

Interviewer: They weren't sure if it was maybe something that's Down Syndrome, and that kind of made me nervous, because I don't really - I don't wanna - I'm afraid to deal with all that.

Interviewee: Sure, of course, of course. That's a lifetime of commitment. We would be starting this procedure on the 11th. Now, at that point in time, you would be looking at a \$11,500 fee. And the week after that, if we can't make it happen by next week, we're gonna be looking at a \$12,500 fee.

Interviewer: So when is the latest I need to let you know, what my decision is? 'Cause, I mean, you know, I have to travel out there and everything.

Interviewee: We don't have any gestational limits for fetal anomalies.

Interviewer: My big concern is, I'm Catholic and religious, so I would like to know if there's a possibility of having a priest there, or how does that work? Do you even have that? 'Cause -

Interviewee: We work with an organization called the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, and, believe it or not, there is a priest affiliated with them. He has come here on numerous occasions to talk to patients, either as they're going through the process or afterwards.

Interviewer: Mm-hmm.

Interviewee: And that would definitely be something that we can look into, to have him come. People at the RCRC are really wonderful. They're pro-choice, help patients with whatever religious criteria that they want to meet for themselves. We work with them all the time and, you know, we don't know how we'd do without them, really.

[End of audio]

### **This is Late Term Abortion**

Female 1: Southwestern Women's Options. This is Sue.

Female 2: Hi. I'm wondering if I can schedule an appointment.

Female 1: Okay, for an abortion procedure?

Female 2: Yes, ma'am.

Female 1: Have you had an ultrasound done?

Female 2: Actually yes, last week.

Female 1: Mm-hmm. And when you had the ultrasound done how far in the pregnancy were you told that you are?

Female 2: I was 25 weeks.

Female 1: This is a three- to four-day process in our clinic that we start on Tuesday. We always start on a Tuesday. So you'd be coming into the clinic Tuesday through Friday for everything to take place. Usually you're fine to travel home on Friday. Right now if you were able to get here for next week to start on Tuesday, on the 13th, I would want to prepare you for a fee of \$8,500.00.

Female 2: Ugh, okay.

Female 1: Let me give you a little more information about what this process is. When I talk about that it's a three- to four-day process, this is a process here in our clinic of labor and delivery. So you actually would be delivering what would be a stillborn here in our office, okay, with where you are in pregnancy. What our doctor would do on the first day, on Tuesday, is she will use a medication that will euthanize the fetus, so it will stop the fetal heart on that first day. Okay?

Female 2: Will I go into labor?

Female 1: You will go into labor – well, labor's going to be induced here in the clinic, usually one to two days later. The doctor will use a substance which is called laminaria. She'll place that in the cervix, stays in the cervix overnight, and will very gradually begin to open up and dilate your cervix overnight. So you'll probably have cramping and discomfort overnight while the cervix is dilating. We do want you to stay close by, within a very short drive, so if your body does go into labor – and that can happen if the cervix, you know, dilates and your body may go into labor. Then you call us. That's what you do. So you'll return Wednesday morning and the doctor will remove the laminaria from the day before and check the cervix and see if the cervix has dilated really well overnight. She may decide to induce labor on Wednesday if she feels that the cervix is not very well dilated yet or you're not – it's not ready for labor to be induced. Then she may on Wednesday place more laminaria in the cervix, send you back to the hotel, and the cervix will dilate further for that second night. And then when you come in – you know, if she sends you back home on Wednesday, then when you come in Thursday morning, most likely labor would be induced that day. So you'd be delivering either Wednesday or Thursday here in the clinic, and that can take several hours. It could take all day long – not that you would be in labor all day long, but you may be in the clinic for several hours or all day long as you're – you know, with medications to bring on labor and bring on uterine contractions.

Female 2: Oh, so then I would just stay there? And then I would deliver there? I mean –

Female 1: Yes, mm-hmm.

Female 2: So how –

Female 1: You deliver here in the clinic.

[End of Audio]

**Warren Hern, Boulder, CO**

[Phone ringing]

Respondent: Good morning, Dr. Hern's office. How can I help you?

Caller: Yes. I wanted to schedule an abortion appointment.

Respondent: Okay. Do you know how far along you are in your pregnancy?

Caller: Just around 30 weeks.

Respondent: And when did you find out you were pregnant?

Caller: Well I found out a couple of months into the pregnancy so I've known about it for a while. And I've been going to the appointments and everything, but my husband and I just split up and I just don't want to continue with the pregnancy now. So I have like the estimated due date from the doctor and everything. And I have my last menstrual period and date too.

Respondent: Okay.

Caller: If you need that.

Respondent: Okay. Have you had an ultrasound?

Caller: Yes.

Respondent: Okay. We just need the measurements from your ultrasound like the BPD and the femur length measurement.

Caller: Okay. Let me see. How would I – do I need to call you back with those measurements or –

Respondent: Yeah. If you could call us back with those measurements we can let you know if we can see you, when the next available appointment is and what the fee will be.

Caller: Okay. So the BPD and what else was it?

Respondent: The femur length. It's abbreviated F as in Frank, L as in Larry.

Caller: And it should just be right on the ultrasound that was printed out?

Respondent: Yeah. Hopefully. You may have to call your doctor's office and get it from them.

Caller: And what does the BPD stand for?

Respondent: Bi-parietal diameter.

Caller: Oh, okay. Okay. Let me see what I can find out. I'll call you back.

Respondent: Okay. Great. Thank you.

Caller: Thanks. Bye-bye.

[Phone ringing]

Respondent: Good morning, Dr. Hern's office. How can I help you?

Caller: Sure. I called earlier and you asked me to get – well I was calling to schedule an appointment. You asked me to get the BPD and the femur length.

Respondent: Okay. Yeah. Do you have that?

Caller: Yes. I was able to get that. So the BPD was 74 and the femur length was 54.

Respondent: Okay. And when were those taken?

Caller: Last Monday, the 13th I believe.

Respondent: Okay. And let's see here. How much do you weigh?

Caller: I'm 180.

Respondent: Okay. And how tall are you?

Caller: Five one.

Respondent: Okay. And have you ever had a C-section?

Caller: No.

Respondent: No? Okay. Can you hold on one second?

Caller: Yes.

Respondent: Okay.

[Caller placed on hold]

Respondent: Yeah. He said that he would see you on the 28th.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: And it looks like you will probably be about 32 weeks at that time so the fee would likely be either 17,500 or 25,000.

Caller: Okay. And so I live in Texas, actually in Austin. I'm going to say I would just fly into the clinic and then how long is –

Respondent: Yeah. So your first appointment would be on Tuesday the 28th. So you would need to fly to Denver. He does require that you travel the day before your appointment so he would want you to travel on Monday the 27th. And you would have an appointment here Tuesday morning and then it's a four-day process. So you would be here in Colorado staying at a local hotel on that Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night. And you could travel back to Texas in the afternoon of Saturday the 2nd of December.

Caller: Okay. Okay.

[End of Audio]

**Leroy Carhart, Bethesda, MD**

Automated message: Thank you for calling AbortionClinics.org. To make an appointment or to reach a receptionist please press zero.

Respondent: AbortionClinics.org. How can I help you?

Caller: Yeah. I was wondering if you guys do abortions at 26 weeks of pregnancy.

Respondent: We do in Maryland.

Caller: Okay. How much does something like that cost?

Respondent: It just depends on your medical history.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: Is it for you, hon?

Caller: Yes.

Respondent: Okay. Do you have a history of having any C-sections?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Sorry. Do you have any major medical problems at all?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Is there anything wrong with you or your pregnancy?

Caller: No.

Respondent: What's your height and weight?

Caller: Five three and I'm 165.

Respondent: Okay. And do you know your blood type?

Caller: A positive.

Respondent: Okay. So based on that information at 26 weeks it's \$7,000.00.

Caller: Okay. Well I was just mostly wanting to get some information. I've sort of been going back and forth on my decision. I wanted to see how much it was and if you guys could actually do it. And like are you able to tell me like what the procedure is?

Respondent: Yes. So basically we can see you up until 28 weeks. If there's no medical reason after 28 weeks case by case basis and right now at 26 weeks it's a three-day procedure. The first two days – well the first day you'd be in the clinic. The doctor would do an injection through your abdomen wall into your uterus and into the fetus' heart which would actually stop the heartbeat the first day.

And we also on the first day, first or second day based on your dilating your cervix we insert what's called laminaria. It's an FDA approved seaweed stick. It kind of looks like

a small, wooden stick. It sits in your cervix overnight and absorbs body fluid and expands kind of like a tampon will to be able to open your cervix up.

Caller: Uh-huh.

Respondent: And on the last day which would be the third day basically essentially would be induced for labor.

Caller: Oh.

Respondent: And then if you wait until 27 weeks it becomes four days. So first three days are dilation and the last day is the induction.

Caller: Okay. And so when you say labor you mean that's like delivering the baby or –

Respondent: Yes. Essentially it's a still birth.

Caller: Okay. And then do I get pain medication throughout it all or is it like high pain?

Respondent: So we do a cervical block. So we numb your cervix. You also have the option for IV sedation on top of that if you'd like at no additional charge. So it's a conscious sedation meaning that it's what people call twilight drugs. So you're awake for the procedure but you just don't really remember any of it.

Caller: Okay. And then like in terms of the fetus or the baby do they feel pain like when they get the injection or do you know?

Respondent: Research has shown that the digoxin injection into the heart I mean there wouldn't be any pain. It would actually totally stop the heartbeat and then of course there is no pain after that.

Caller: Okay. And then I don't really know much about the development either. Like is the fetus fully developed do you know or at that point?

Respondent: What do you mean fully developed?

Caller: Like do they have – I mean you're saying like it stops the heartbeat.

Respondent: Right.

Caller: I'm just wondering like how developed it is.

Respondent: I mean it's going to be developed but not a viable pregnancy if it was outside of your body at that point in your pregnancy.

Caller: So it wouldn't be able to survive outside the womb?

Respondent: Not when you're 26 weeks, no.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: Technically it would be 24 weeks pregnant from conception. So the chances of viability would be very slim, but I mean if this is something that you're not sure about I mean you should be talking to your doctor. Have you been seeing a provider?

Caller: No. I sort of – I mean I was but then I dropped off, you know, like a month or two ago. So, you know, you read stuff online and you know you hear different things and so I just thought you guys would know for sure. But do you guys offer like an office consultation like if I wanted to come in and is there a fee for that to actually come in and talk to someone?

Respondent: What do you want to talk to them about exactly?

Caller: Well, you know, just asking questions and making sure I'm confident in my decision. Just might be nice to have someone to talk to.

Respondent: I mean we're not going to do like an option counseling session. That's not necessarily something that we provide. I mean if you want to talk about the actual procedure itself we do do that but there is a charge.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: I mean we can refer you out to somebody if you'd like to speak to someone about maybe not being sure about your decision.

Caller: Okay. So pretty much I would just come to you guys if I'm 100 percent certain that to have the procedure?

Respondent: Right.

[End of Audio]

### **Two Washington State Abortion Clinics**

Respondent: Good afternoon, Cedar River Clinic. This is Katie.

Caller: Yeah. I was wondering are you guys able to do an abortion for me if I'm like 24-25 weeks pregnant?

Respondent: We do. We go up to 25 weeks and six days at our clinic.

Caller: Okay. Because I'm around 24 weeks right now. When is the soonest I could get in?

Respondent: Let me look here. That's going to be a three-day procedure so we need to make sure we can get three days in a row. Okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: Where do you live?

Caller: I live in Renton.

Respondent: Renton. Okay. Well, we don't want to put you too far out because every day that counts against you know the ultrasound. Sometimes the ultrasound could read bigger so that's another thing.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: So we can start you Monday, November 27th. Now that is in Tacoma. Tuesday would be in Tacoma but you would finish in Renton on Wednesday if you wanted.

Caller: Okay. And how much does the procedure cost approximately?

Respondent: I'll have to have you speak to the financial specialist because it's depending on your income. So do you want to talk to them first?

Caller: Yes, please.

Respondent: Okay. What's your first name so I can let them know who's holding?

Caller: Samantha.

Respondent: Samantha, one moment.

Caller: Okay.

Female: Good afternoon, Cedar River Clinic. This is Storm. Am I speaking to Samantha?

Caller: Yes.

Female: Hi. So I hear that you have questions regarding a procedure for up to 25 weeks.

Caller: Yes. I was just wondering about how much it would be.

Female: Just cash prices or other options as if you were to provide commercial insurance?

Caller: Just cash.

Female: Let's see. So if you were to be anywhere between 24 weeks one day to exactly 25 weeks the price would be 4,300.

Caller: Okay.

Female: And then the furthest that the state of Washington would be able to provide this service for would be up to 26 weeks exactly. So if you're anywhere from 25 weeks one day to 26 weeks exactly it would go up to 5,500.

Caller: Okay. So that would be the cap?

Female: Uh-huh.

Caller: Okay. Well that gives me an idea. I need to work on getting that together.

Female: Another thing is that if financially if you feel like that's not something that you would be able to afford you might try to consider looking into the state insurance Medicaid. If you do qualify for that it would be fully covered.

Caller: Oh, okay.

[Phone ringing]

Respondent: All Women's Care. How can I help you?

Caller: Yeah. I wanted to schedule an abortion appointment.

Respondent: Okay. And how did you hear about our clinic?

Caller: A friend.

Respondent: Okay. When was the first day of your last menstrual period?

Caller: So it was back on May 29th of 2017.

Respondent: And have you had an ultrasound?

Caller: Yeah. I had an ultrasound last week, last Monday.

Respondent: And how many weeks were you?

Caller: I was 23 weeks and six days. So is that like 24 weeks?

Respondent: Okay. Give me one moment.

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: I'm just going to ask you a couple of questions, okay?

Caller: Uh-huh.

Respondent: Do you know if there are any abnormalities with this pregnancy?

Caller: No, not that I know of.

Respondent: Have you had any gynecological surgeries?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Any medical or health problems?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Currently are you on any medications or have you recently stopped any medications?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Did you have any allergies?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Do you smoke?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Do you use any drugs?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Do you snore?

Caller: No.

Respondent: And have you ever had anesthesia before?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Okay. I'm going to put you on a quick hold and see what we have available. Okay?

Caller: Okay.

Respondent: Okay. So we can see you Friday, December 1st and also December 2nd. So it's a two-day appointment.

Caller: How much is it?

Respondent: So then it's going to be \$6,275.00

[End of Audio]

### **Washington, DC Surgi Clinic**

Interviewer: All right. Washington Surgi-Clinic.

Interviewee: Hi. I wanted to get some information about scheduling an appointment with you guys for an abortion.

Interviewer: Okay. What would you like to know?

Interviewee: I just wanted to find out how much it would be. I am about 25 weeks pregnant.

Interviewer: Okay. Do you have a sonogram done?

Interviewee: Yes, I did have a sonogram done. I have the BPD for you.

Interviewer: What was that?

Interviewee: Sixty-three.

Interviewer: Sixty-three MM, and when was that taken?

Interviewee: That was taken – what is today? It was taken on Monday.

Interviewer: Oh, okay. All right. So you are around 26 weeks now, I guess.

Interviewee: Okay.

Interviewer: Yeah, okay. Have you been pregnant before?

Interviewee: No, this is my first pregnancy.

Interviewer: This is the first pregnancy. Okay. All right. So, to have the procedure, then, yes, we can still do it. We can do the procedure as soon as tomorrow if you like. It's a three-day process. The fee to have the procedure done at this stage is \$6,200.00.

Interviewee: Okay. And you said it was a three-day process?

Interviewer: It's a three-day process, yes.

Interviewee: So it'd be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday?

Interviewer: Yes.

Interviewee: Okay. Could you tell me what the procedure is like?

Interviewer: Sure. Can you hold for one second? My phone is ringing.

Interviewee: Yes.

Interviewer: Can you hold for one second?

Interviewee: Yes.

Interviewer: Thank you. Okay, what exactly you need to know, ma'am, so I can help you better?

Interviewee: Oh, I was just wanting to know what the procedure was like.

Interviewer: Well, it's a three-day process. So the way we do it is that we dilate the cervix two days prior to the procedure day. And then on the third day, we do the procedure when you are completely asleep, so you don't feel or hear absolutely nothing.

Interviewee: Oh, okay. And let's see. So you're saying tomorrow. If I can't do it tomorrow, what would be the next closest?

Interviewer: The next available won't be until next Tuesday, and Tuesday the fee is \$7,200.00.

Interviewee: Okay. And I could still do it? How far into the pregnancy will I be then on Tuesday?

Interviewer: Probably 26 weeks and some days.

[End of Audio]

### **Pennsylvania**

Female: A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

Interviewer: Thank you calling the Women's Center how can I help you?

Interviewee: Yeah. Do you guys do abortions at 20 weeks of pregnancy?

Interviewer: Yes, it actually goes up to 21 weeks and 6 days.

Interviewee: Oh, okay. And this is the Pennsylvania one, right?

Interviewer: Yes.

Interviewee: Oh, okay. I was just wondering like is it okay? Like can you guys do the procedure even if I'm healthy and there's no abnormalities with the pregnancy? Is that legal?

Interviewer: Yes. Yes, it is.

Interviewee: Okay. So how much is it?

Interviewer: Out of pocket, the price at 20 weeks or 21 weeks and 6 days is – give me one quick second. It is \$2,350.00.

[End of Audio]

### **Summit, MI**

Female: A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

[Phone ringing]

Respondent: Thank you for \_\_\_\_\_ Summit. This is Andrea. How can I help you?

Caller: Yes, I was wondering if I could schedule an abortion appointment. I'm 22 weeks pregnant.

Respondent: Did you have a previous appointment scheduled with us?

Caller: No.

Respondent: Okay, 22 weeks – that's a two-day procedure done on Wednesday and Thursday, Thursday and Friday, and also Friday and Saturday.

Caller: Okay. How much does that cost?

Respondent: The total cost for 22 weeks is \$2,300.00, and that fee includes your labs, your counseling, the two-week checkup, the birth control, which is also available through the health department. It also includes the ultrasound, sedation, and the 24-hour contact person.

Caller: Okay. And so am I able to get this done even like if I'm healthy and there's nothing wrong with the pregnancy?

Respondent: Yes, it's a voluntary termination of pregnancy.

Caller: Oh –

Respondent: The state of Michigan goes up until 24 weeks.

[End of Audio]

**West Palm Beach, FL**

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?

[End of Audio]

**Beverly Hills, CA**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* Thank you for calling Pro Choice Medical.

*Caller:* Hello?

*Respondent:* Hello?

*Caller:* Hi. Is this Pro Choice Medical?

*Respondent:* Yes, it is.

*Caller:* Is this Dr. Seletz?

*Respondent:* Yes. Somebody's supposed to be in my office answering the phone, but they're not.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. I had a question. I was wondering if I could get an abortion with you guys if I'm 22 weeks pregnant.

*Respondent:* Yes, we can do that.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. I was just wondering. I didn't know what the state law was or anything, but is it okay to get the procedure if I'm healthy and there's nothing abnormal with the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* Yeah, that's – it's legal at 22 weeks.

*Caller:* I was wondering, too, what the fee would be.

*Respondent:* Now our fees are more than the other clinics. For, like, say 22 or 23 weeks the fee would be approximately \$6,000.00.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Milwaukee, WI**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* Affiliated Medical, how can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering if I could schedule an abortion with you guys if I'm 20 weeks pregnant.

*Respondent:* I can schedule you an appointment and we can ultrasound you first, then go from there.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. Well, I was just wondering – so let's say that I am 20 weeks, which I'm pretty sure I'm 20 weeks exactly today. Am I still able to get the procedure even if I'm healthy and there's nothing wrong with the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* Yes.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. What is the law in Wisconsin regarding that, do you know?

*Respondent:* Yes. You would have to be under 21 weeks and six days.

*Caller:* But it's fine, like, if there's no abnormalities or anything, just like for any reason?

Respondent: No. Getting an abortion doesn't require that you have a fetal anomaly or an abnormality. It's really your choice.

Caller: Even after 20 weeks?

Respondent: Yes.

[End of Audio]

### **Billings, MT**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

[Phone ringing]

*Respondent:* Planned Parenthood in Billings. This is Jen. How may I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering if I could schedule an abortion with you guys if I'm 20 weeks pregnant.

*Respondent:* Yes –

*Caller:* How far do you guys – how far do you guys go up to?

*Respondent:* Well, we go to 21 weeks and 6 days, is as far as we go.

*Caller:* Well, let me ask you this. I wasn't real sure what the state law was. Am I able to get an abortion in Montana after the 20 week mark, if, like – if I'm healthy and there's nothing wrong with the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* Yes.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. Okay.

*Respondent:* Yep.

*Caller:* So there's no other requirements or anything?

*Respondent:* Nope.

*[End of Audio]*

**Women's Medical, Dayton, OH**

*Female 1:* - a lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Female 2:* Good afternoon, Women's Med. This is Katie. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. Do you guys do abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy?

*Female 2:* After 20 weeks?

*Caller:* Yes.

*Female 2:* We go up to 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. I was wondering – I am 20 weeks pregnant, but is there like a law that says that I have to have something wrong with me or the baby in order to have it after the 20 week mark?

*Female 2:* Um, I know that Ohio law we don't go over 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Right. Well, I mean if I'm over 20 weeks, like, can I still have the abortion if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy?

*Female 2:* If you're over 20 weeks?

*Caller:* Yeah.

*Female 2:* As long as you're not 21 weeks and 6 days we can still do it.

*Caller:* Oh. Okay. Okay.

*Female 2:* If you're – like, yeah, if you're at 21 weeks and 6 days we can still do that, but that doesn't matter if you're 20 weeks.

*Caller:* Okay. So as long as I'm not over the 21 weeks and 6 days you guys can do it?

*Female 2:* Yeah. There doesn't have to really be like something wrong with the baby or anything.

*Caller:* Okay. How much does the procedure cost if I'm like, say, between like the 20 and 21 week mark?

*Female 2:* Okay. There is funding available through the National Abortion Federation that may be able to help with a portion of it, but without funding it would be \$2,400.00.

### **Metropolitan Medical Associates in Englewood, NJ**

*Respondent 1:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent 2:* Metropolitan Medical. May I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. Do you guys do abortions after 22 weeks of pregnancy?

*Respondent 2:* We go up until 24.

*Caller:* Okay. Am I able to get the abortion even if I'm healthy and the baby is healthy?

*Respondent 2:* Well –

*Caller:* Is there any restrictions against that or –

*Respondent 2:* Nope. It just has to be something that you want.

*Caller:* Okay. Is that what the state law is in New Jersey? I just wasn't sure.

*Respondent 2:* Yes. Mm-hmm.

*Caller:* Okay. Well, I am 22 weeks today. Could you tell me how much the procedure would be?

*Respondent 2:* So, up until 23 weeks the fee would be \$2,600.00.

*Caller:* Okay. How soon do you think I could get in?

*Respondent 2:* We have appointments as early as tomorrow.

*Caller:* Okay. And this is the Inglewood location?

*Respondent 2:* Yes.

*Caller:* Okay.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Hope Clinic, Granite City, IL**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Voiceover:* You have reached the Hope Clinic in Granite City, Illinois.

*Respondent:* Clinic for Women, can I help you?

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

*Respondent:* Yeah.

*Caller:* How far into the pregnancy do you guys actually go?

*Respondent:* 23 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. Now am I –

*Respondent:* Where do you live at?

*Caller:* Granite City.

*Respondent:* Okay. So you will be a three-day procedure.

*Caller:* Okay. When does it –

*Respondent:* So we –

*Caller:* When does it start next?

*Respondent:* We can get you in tomorrow and do tomorrow, Friday, and Saturday, or we can get you in Tuesday. It'd be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

*Caller:* Okay. And how much does it cost?

*Respondent:* 22 weeks would be \$2,750.00, and 23 weeks is \$3,600.00.

*Caller:* Okay. So I'm a little confused about what the actual law is, but am I able to get an abortion at this – at 22 weeks like if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy?

*Respondent:* You are.

*Caller:* Okay.

*[End of Audio]*

**Birth Control Care Center, Las Vegas, NV**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Good afternoon, Birth Control Care Center. Christina speaking, how can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering if you guys did abortions at 22 weeks of pregnancy.

*Respondent:* We do. ----- a three-day process. We do some laminaria that are tightly wrapped little seaweed sticks. They dehydrate and they help stretch your cervix overnight.

*Caller:* Okay.

*Respondent:* And once you're at 22 weeks, it would be \$2,300.00 to be able to do the procedure.

*Caller:* Okay. Now is it okay to have the procedure if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy, there's no problems or anything?

*Respondent:* No, there wouldn't be a problem.

*Caller:* Okay. What is the law in Nevada, do you know? Like, how far are you guys able to go into the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* Up to 24 weeks from your last menstrual cycle. So the furthest that we do is 23 weeks and 3 days.

*Caller:* Okay. When's your next available appointment?

*Respondent:* Our next available appointment would be as of tomorrow.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. And then I just pay the \$2,300.00 upfront?

*Respondent:* Yes –

*[End of Audio]*

### **LoveJoy Surgi Center, Portland, OR**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Thank you for choosing Lovejoy Surgery Center. This is Kendra. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. I was wondering if you guys did abortions after 22 weeks of pregnancy?

*Respondent:* Our gestational limits is 23 days and – or 23 weeks and 5 days.

*Caller:* Okay. I'm 22 weeks today and I was just wondering – I didn't know what the law was in Oregon. Am I able to get the procedure even if like I'm healthy and the baby's healthy?

*Respondent:* Yeah, definitely.

*Caller:* Okay. What is the law, do you know?

*Respondent:* I don't know like nationwide but our clinic is – our limit is 23 weeks and 5 days.

*Caller:* Okay, so it's fine, like, whatever the reason is or whatever?

*Respondent:* Yeah, we would – we ---- like check in with you, like, about your decision, but we would never, like, be like, "Oh, you can't be seen because of that," you know?

*[End of Audio]*

**All Women's of New York, White Plains, NY**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* All Women's Medical?

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

*Respondent:* Yeah. Which office are you interested in going to, Queens, Manhattan, or Westchester?

*Caller:* Westchester.

*Respondent:* And you know that you're 22 weeks?

*Caller:* Yes. I've been doing it based on my period.

*Respondent:* So you just didn't know you were pregnant or you knew you –

*Caller:* No, I did. I just decided that I don't want to continue the pregnancy, so I'm exactly 22 weeks today. My last period was August 6.

*Respondent:* But there's nothing wrong with the pregnancy or –

*Caller:* No, I'm healthy. The baby's healthy. I'm just – I don't want it.

*Respondent:* Okay. You don't want it. Okay, and how are you gonna be paying for this?

*Caller:* Cash.

*Respondent:* Okay. It'll be a three-day procedure, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

*Caller:* Okay, that's what I thought. And is that legal in New York like if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy? Is it still like an elective procedure, or –

*Respondent:* It's an elective procedure, correct.

*Caller:* Okay. How much would it be if I was able to get in within the next week or so?

*Respondent:* It – well, it's not week or so. It has to be this week, you know?

*Caller:* Okay.

*Respondent:* Now you're 22 weeks exactly today?

*Caller:* Right, that's what the pregnancy calculator is showing, and you guys go by the first day of the last period, right?

*Respondent:* Right. When was the first day of your last period – well, have you been getting testing all along?

*Caller:* Yeah, I have, but I haven't been to the doctor in, like, two months, but everything adds up for –

*Respondent:* When was your last menstrual period?

*Caller:* August 6.

*Respondent:* August 6?

*Caller:* Yes.

*Respondent:* Okay. So that means that right now, yeah, you'll be between 22 and 23 weeks. Probably you'll be closer to 23 weeks. I would say that. It would be \$2,300.00 plus \$150.00 - \$2,450.00, plus \$300.00 for the cremation fee.

*Caller:* Oh, okay.

*Respondent:* So it'd be about \$2,750.00. But you have no medical problems?

*Caller:* No.

*Respondent:* Have you ever been pregnant before?

*Caller:* No, this is my first pregnancy.

*Respondent:* Okay. You have no medical problems. How much do you weigh approximately?

*Caller:* About 160.

*Respondent:* Okay, so you're healthy. You're not overweight. And I don't think it'll be a problem.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Women's Health Services, Brookline, MA**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Women's Health Services. How may I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, do you guys do abortions after 22 weeks of pregnancy?

*Respondent:* We go up to 23 weeks and 6 days.

Caller: Okay. Now is that for any reason or is it okay if I'm healthy?

Respondent: That's the law. Yeah, that's just the law. It cuts it off in Massachusetts at 23 weeks and 6 days.

Caller: Oh, okay. Well, I was just wondering, like, if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy if I could still do it. Is it still, like, an elective procedure?

Respondent: It's still elective, but again we can't do it after 23 weeks and 6 days. But if you're 22, then yes, it's elective.

Caller: Okay. Okay, how much does the procedure cost if I'm between like 22 and 23 weeks?

Respondent: So out of pocket it ends up being \$3,300.00.

[End of Audio]

**Desert Star Family Planning, Phoenix, AZ**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* Desert Star Family Planning. This is Alicia. How can help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. Am I able to get an abortion at your clinic if I'm 22 weeks pregnant?

*Respondent:* Yes, we go up to 23 weeks and 6 days. As long as you're under that with a 24-hour grace period, then we'll be able to.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. So do I – is it okay to have the procedure if I'm healthy and there's no abnormalities with the baby?

*Respondent:* Yeah.

*Caller:* Okay. Is that based on, like, the state law or whatever, that you can only go up to 23 weeks and 6 days?

*Respondent:* Yes.

*Caller:* Okay. How much does the procedure cost?

*Respondent:* So if you're 22 weeks, it'd be \$2,300.00 with \$50.00 of that due at the first appointment. If you're – if you happen to come in and you're 23 weeks, it'd be \$2,500.00.

*Caller:* Okay. And like how soon is your next available appointments?

*Respondent:* I can bring you in – I have tomorrow at 9:00.

*Caller:* And are you guys still at 1526 Glendale Avenue in Phoenix?

*Respondent:* West Glendale? Yes.

*Caller:* Okay. Now would I be seeing Dr. Taylor tomorrow?

*Respondent:* Yes, tomorrow morning.

*Caller:* Okay. And she would do the procedure, too?

*Respondent:* Yes.

*[End of Audio]*

**Feminist Women's Health Center, Atlanta, GA**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Thank you for calling the Feminist Women's Health Center. Good afternoon, may I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. How far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortions?

*Respondent:* 21 weeks and 5 days.

*Caller:* Okay. I'm 20 weeks today, and so I was just wondering am I – like, am I able to get the abortion even if I'm – don't have any health issues and, like, the pregnancy's healthy and everything, or –

*Respondent:* Yeah.

*Caller:* Okay. And then how much is the procedure?

*Respondent:* Do you have Medicare or are you serving in the military?

*Caller:* No, I'll just pay cash.

*Respondent:* We have to have debit card, credit card, or money order.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. How much is it?

*Respondent:* For 20 weeks it's \$1,670.00.

*Caller:* And so the latest you guys will go is 21 weeks and –

*Respondent:* Five days, five days.

*Caller:* And five days?

*Respondent:* Mm-hmm.

*Caller:* And is that based on the Georgia law or is that just based on your clinic?

*Respondent:* No, it's by Georgia law.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Southwest Women's Surgery Center, Dallas, TX**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* Southwestern Women's Surgery Center. This is Kendra. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering how far into the pregnancy you guys offer abortion services.

*Respondent:* So we say that we have to at least see something on the sonogram in order to do a procedure, and then we go up to 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. Well, I just found out that I'm 20 weeks and 1 day, and so I just wanted to get some information to make sure that you guys could do it. So if I am 20 weeks, like, am I able to get the procedure done if I'm healthy and, like, the baby's healthy, there's nothing abnormal with the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* I mean, you're still able to get it, yeah. If you're 20 weeks the total price for the procedure is \$3,500.00.

*Caller:* Okay. And so it's just considered an elective procedure. Like if I had to push it out beyond, what, the 21, 6 days, could I, like, get it somewhere else, or how does that work in Texas?

*Respondent:* So the state of Texas, the state limit is 21 weeks and 6 days. We have a sister clinic in Albuquerque –

*[End of Audio]*

### **Little Rock Family Planning, Little Rock, AR**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* Good morning. Thanks for calling Little Rock Family Planning. This is Heather.

*Caller:* Yeah. I was wondering, how far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* We go up to 21 weeks, 0 days.

*Caller:* Okay. Now I'm 20 weeks now. I was wondering, is there any law against getting the procedure like if I'm healthy and the baby's healthy?

*Respondent:* That – it's up to you. That's the choice. That's your choice.

*Caller:* Oh, okay. I just wasn't sure if there was some type of restriction or if it was an elective procedure.

*Respondent:* Uh-uh. Yeah, there's no restrictions if – it's your body. It's your choice.

*Caller:* How much is the procedure?

*Respondent:* For 20 weeks it's \$1,750.00 and that includes sedation. For 21 weeks it's \$2,000.00 and that also includes sedation.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Women's Center, Hartford, CT**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Thank you for calling the Women's Center. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah. I was wondering how far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* You mean until we don't offer them anymore?

*Caller:* Yeah. I'm trying to find out if I can get an abortion in Connecticut if I'm 20 weeks pregnant.

*Respondent:* Our facility goes up to – I think it's 20 – 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. And this is the – is it Hartford GYN Center on Main Street?

*Respondent:* That's correct.

*Caller:* Okay. Okay, well, since I am 20 weeks I was wondering, too, like, am I – is an elective procedure? Am I able to get it like if I'm healthy and the pregnancy – the baby's healthy, or is there any type of restrictions against that?

*Respondent:* No, it's still – it's considered an elective abortion, mm-hmm.

*Caller:* Okay. Do you know how much it would be if I was able to get in this week?

*Respondent:* Without insurance it would be \$2,200, and it would be a two-day procedure.

*[End of Audio]*

## Abortion and Contraception Clinic, Bellvue, NE (Leroy Carhart)

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* \_\_\_\_\_ this is \_\_\_\_\_. How may I help you?

*Caller:* I'm sorry. Is this AbortionClinics.org?

*Respondent:* Correct.

*Caller:* Oh. I was wondering how far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortion services for your Nebraska location?

*Respondent:* We go up to 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. I'm 20 weeks today. I was just wondering – or actually I'm 20 weeks and 1 day – is it legal for me to have the procedure after 20 weeks if I'm healthy and, like, the baby's healthy, there's no complications with the pregnancy?

*Respondent:* In Nebraska it's legal up to 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. Could you tell me how much the procedure would be if I came in this week?

*Respondent:* And you said you're 20 weeks.

*Caller:* Yeah, I'm 20 weeks and 1 day.

*Respondent:* Okay. Without knowing any of your medical history the starting price is \$1,700.00.

*Caller:* And would that be with Dr. Carhart?

*Respondent:* Correct.

*Caller:* Okay. Is there any other doctor – like do you guys have any women OBGYNs that do the procedure, or....

*Respondent:* Dr. Carhart is our only doctor here.

*[End of Audio]*

**Richmond Medical Center, Richmond, VA**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Richmond Medical Center. May I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering how far into the pregnancy you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* How far along pregnant are you?

*Caller:* I'm 20 weeks.

*Respondent:* We do them up to 20 weeks and it's \$1,700.00.

*Caller:* Okay, let's see. So I was wondering since I am 20 weeks, like, and I'm healthy – there's nothing wrong with the baby either; I just don't want to continue the pregnancy – like, is that legal in Virginia or is there any restrictions?

*Respondent:* No, it's legal.

*Caller:* Okay.

*Respondent:* It's a two-visit process. It's done on a Monday and a Tuesday or a Thursday and a Friday. You will have to have full payment on that first visit when you go to Dr. \_\_\_\_\_'s office. Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ inserts laminaria in the vagina the first visit. The second visit, the actual procedure, is done at MCV Hospital. If you live at least an hour away from the hospital when you come on that first visit you'd have to check yourself into a motel.

*Caller:* Oh –

*Respondent:* The first visit you'd be at his office anywhere from one to three hours. No children are allowed. The second visit you'll be at the hospital anywhere from five to six hours and you will have to have someone there with you to drive you home. If you don't have anyone there to drive you home, they'll admit you to the hospital at your expense and it's like \$9,000.00.

*[End of Audio]*

**Planned Parenthood, Salt Lake City, UT**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Recording:* Thank you for calling Planned Parenthood Metro.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Planned Parenthood.

*Caller:* Hi. I was wondering how far into the pregnancy you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* Yeah. So in the state of Utah the legal cutoff is 21 weeks.

*Caller:* Okay. Now I am like 20 weeks today and I was just wondering if there was any restrictions against getting the procedure like if I'm healthy, the baby's healthy, there's no complications with the pregnancy? Or is that illegal?

*Respondent:* It's – nope, you are welcome to get – to seek abortion care up until 21 weeks in the state of Utah.

*Caller:* Okay. How much is the procedure?

*Respondent:* At this point – you said you're 20 weeks?

*Caller:* Yes.

*Respondent:* You are looking at \$4,000.00.

[End of Audio]

### **Planned Parenthood Iowa City, Iowa**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Recording:* Hi. You have reached Planned Parenthood of the Heartland.

*Respondent 1:* Thank you for calling Planned Parenthood. My name is Elizabeth. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, I was wondering how far into the pregnancy you guys offer abortion services at your Iowa City location?

*Respondent 1:* I'd be happy to answer your question. In Iowa City our healthcare provider is able to offer them up to 20 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. I'm 20 weeks today, and so I was just trying to figure out – like I'm healthy, the baby's healthy. There's no complications. I just don't want to consider the pregnancy. Is that legal in Iowa?

*Respondent 1:* That is. However, in our Iowa City location they only provide them Tuesdays and Wednesdays. So if you're already at 20 weeks I'm not sure what their schedule looks like that advanced. I can have you speak with them for more details.

*Caller:* Okay, sure.

*Respondent 1:* Okay, one moment please.

*Caller:* Okay.

*Respondent 2:* Hi, this is Lisa in Iowa City. You said you were 20 weeks as of today?

*Caller:* Yes.

*Respondent 2:* Okay. Okay, let me check something here.

*Caller:* So you guys go to 20 weeks and 6 days?

*Respondent 2:* Yeah.

*Caller:* Is that based on like state law or....

*Respondent 2:* Yes, that is state law.

*Caller:* Oh, okay, 'cause I thought it was up to 22 weeks in Iowa.

*Respondent 2:* No, they changed that as of July 1.

*Caller:* Okay. How much would it be if I was able to come in to you guys?

*Respondent 2:* Let's see. The price for 20 weeks is \$1,750.00.

*[End of Audio]*

## Alabama Women's Center for Reproductive Alternatives

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*Recording:* Thank you for calling Alabama Women's Center for Reproductive Alternatives.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Good morning, Alabama Women's Center. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, how far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* 21 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay. I'm 20 weeks and 1 day, and I was just wondering since I'm so far along, like – and I'm healthy and there's nothing wrong with the baby, like, is it still legal to get the abortion in Alabama?

*Respondent:* Yes. Yep, as long as you're 21 weeks and – well, in Alabama, well, we stop here at 21 weeks and 6 days. We're open from 8:00 to 3:00. You can do a walk-in if you're – what are you at right now?

*Caller:* 20 weeks and 1 day.

*Respondent:* All right, so you could come in today and we could – you know, between 8:00 and – well, obviously between now and 3:00.

*Caller:* And how much is the procedure?

*Respondent:* For 21 – for 20 weeks it is \$1,600.00, but at 21 weeks it's \$1,800.00.

*[End of Audio]*

### **Whole Women's Minnesota**

*Female:* A lot of people consider later 20 weeks.

*[Phone ringing]*

*Respondent:* Thank you for calling Whole Woman's Health. This is Lauren. How can I help you?

*Caller:* Yeah, how far into the pregnancy do you guys offer abortion services?

*Respondent:* So that depends on what state you're located in –

*Caller:* Minnesota.

*Respondent:* Okay, in Minnesota we go to 23 weeks and 6 days.

*Caller:* Okay, I'm 22 weeks and I was just wondering, like – I'm healthy. The baby's healthy. I just don't want to continue the pregnancy. Like, is that legal in Minnesota?

*Respondent:* Yes, it is.

*Caller:* Okay.

*Respondent:* You can have an abortion for any reason up to 23 weeks and 6 days in the state of Minnesota.

*Caller:* Okay. How much is the procedure?

*Respondent:* So at my next possible availability, which would be Wednesday, January 31, so you'd be 23 weeks and 1 day, and we would be looking at \$2,500.00 at a minimum.

*[End of Audio]*