Week 1: Introduction to the Course
Abortion in the United States and Around the World

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Introduction to the Course
Abortion: Quality Care and Public Health Implications

• Abortion is common.
• This course is designed to increase knowledge of abortion from public health, clinical, historical, and cultural perspectives.
• Increasing knowledge of, and comfort in discussing abortion, can positively affect women’s health.
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Honor Code

• Uphold academic integrity
• Commitment to honesty and respect
• Recognize sensitive nature of topic and engage in professional discussion and debate
  • Express viewpoints respectfully
Week 1: Overview and Objectives

After this week, learners will be able to

- Describe the epidemiology of abortion
- Recognize global disparities in access to family planning services
- Understand the costs of unintended pregnancy
- List barriers to accessing timely and safe abortion services
- Identify interventions to reduce death from unsafe abortion
- Describe the historical trajectory of abortion in the U.S.
- Define abortion stigma and its negative consequences
Abortion in the International Context
Why, Who, and When?

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Global Abortion Overview

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Preventing Maternal Mortality:
The Role Of Safe Abortion

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Abortion and its Multiple Contexts

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History of Abortion

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Abortion Stigma: What is it and how does it affect women’s health?

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Abortion Representations in Television and Film

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Expert Interviews

• Dan Grossman, Abortion Access in South Africa
• Cristina Villarreal, Fundación Orientame
• Beverly Winikoff, Gynuity Health Projects
Additional Resources

• Videos
    • Video: Abortion Worldwide
    • Video: Abortion in the U.S.
  – Planned Parenthood Roe v. Wade 40th Anniversary: Reproductive Justice for Women’s Health
  – 1 in 3 Campaign: Women Tell their Abortion Stories
Additional Resources

- **Websites**
  - Innovating Education in Reproductive Health
    [www.innovating-education.org](http://www.innovating-education.org)

- **Articles in pop culture**
  - “These women want to change the way you think about abortion” – article in *Cosmopolitan* magazine

- **Research articles**