

AMA Code of Medical Ethics

4.2.7 Abortion

Abortion is a safe and common medical procedure, about which thoughtful individuals hold diverging, yet equally deeply held and well-considered perspectives. Like all health care decisions, a decision to terminate a pregnancy should be made privately within the relationship of trust between patient and physician in keeping with the patient's unique values and needs and the physician's best professional judgment.

The *Principles of Medical Ethics* of the AMA permit physicians to perform abortions in keeping with good medical practice

AMA Principles of Medical Ethics: III,IV