Terminated Pregnancy Report Submission Guidance

Indiana state law (IC 16-34-2-5) requires that all medication induced abortions and surgical abortions, as permitted by law to be performed in Indiana, be reported to the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH). To streamline reporting for health care providers, IDOH provides for electronic reporting through the state’s vital records system, DRIVE (Database for Registering Indiana’s Vital Events).

Health care providers who need to submit a terminated pregnancy report (TPR) must register as a DRIVE user, which is a two-step process.

- The first step is to register for an Access Indiana account at https://www.in.gov/access/.
- Once an Access Indiana account is set up, click on the DRIVE tile posted in Access Indiana Services. From there follow the prompts to submit an e-request to register as a new user or to link an existing Genesis/DRIVE user profile to the Access Indiana account.

In accordance with IC 16-34-2-5(b):

- Health care providers are required to submit the TPR to IDOH within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of each abortion procedure for patients age 16 and older.
- If an abortion procedure is performed for a patient who is less than sixteen (16) years of age, the health care provider must submit the TPR within three (3) days after the procedure to IDOH as outlined above and separately to the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS).
  - TPRs should be submitted electronically to DCS by email to dcsotlinereports@dcs.in.gov.

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Once the TPR has been submitted to IDOH and DCS, if applicable, a copy of the TPR must also be retained in the patient’s medical file.

Additionally, a person’s duty to immediately report child abuse or neglect to DCS or law enforcement when they have reason to believe a child is a victim of child abuse or neglect is

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separate and distinct from the TPR, which may or may not involve circumstances of child abuse or neglect. This reporting requirement is found in IC 31-33-5-1 through 31-33-5-5 and applies even when a termination is not performed. DCS maintains a child abuse and neglect hotline at 1-800-800-5556 for oral reports of child abuse or neglect and an email address at dcshotlinereports@dcs.in.gov for written reports of child abuse or neglect.

Treatment of a missed miscarriage, septic abortion, inevitable miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, molar pregnancy, or any pregnancy where the fetus has died in utero continue to not be required to be submitted as a terminated pregnancy report.

To achieve compliance with new reporting requirements passed in Senate Enrolled Act 1 (ss), effective September 15, 2022, new fields have been added to DRIVE’s terminated pregnancy module. These changes include a new field for indicating the reason for the abortion as allowed by state law (rape, incest, lethal fetal anomaly, or serious health risk or life of the pregnant woman) and new fields for diagnostic code(s) as applicable.

Important documents and relevant state forms listed below can be found on the IDOH’s Abortion Information Center website. As these documents and forms are subject to change based on amendments to state law, we encourage health care providers to download forms directly from the IDOH website as needed.

- Abortion Informed Consent Brochure
- Abortion Informed Consent (State Form 55320)
- Available Counseling after an Abortion (State Form 56615)
- Perinatal Hospice Information Center
- Certificate of Provision of Perinatal Hospice Information: Time of Abortion Consent Decision (State Form 56108)
- Certification of Provision of Perinatal Hospice Information: Time of Diagnosis of a Lethal Fetal Anomaly (State Form 5611)
- Disposition of Aborted Fetus Certification (State Form 56114)
- Fetal Ultrasound and Heart Tone Certification (State Form 55321)
- Abortion Complications Reporting (State Form 56522)
- Abortion Complications Reporting Requirement Guidance

https://www.in.gov/health/about-the-agency/health-information-by-topic-a-z/-abortion-information-center/