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National Health Mission  
Directorate of Health & Family Welfare  
Himachal Pradesh

(Through E-mail)

To

The Director,  
Health Safety and Regulations  
Himachal Pradesh



Dated Shimla-9, the

**Subject: Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act & Rules, 2021.**

Sir,

After the assent of Hon'ble President of India, the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act, 2021 was published in the Gazette by the Ministry of Law and Justice on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021, followed by its notification for commencement on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. The Rules under the said Act have been framed and recently published in the official gazette on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Soft copy ( PDF file) of the above said (Amendment) Act, 2021, notification for commencement and rules framed their in under (14 pages) is attached for ready reference.

This Act will increase the access and ambit of women for safe and legal services thereby reducing unsafe abortion and its attendant morbidity and mortality. This Act will also ensure the respect and dignity of women.

The Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act, 2021, inter-alia, provides for:

- Requirement of opinion of one registered medical practitioner for termination of pregnancy up to twenty weeks of gestation.
- Requirement of opinion of two registered medical practitioners for termination of pregnancy of twenty to twenty-four weeks of gestation.
- Enhancing the upper gestation limit from twenty to twenty-four weeks for vulnerable groups of women (such as minors, differently abled women, victims of violence etc.)
- Non-applicability of the provisions relating to the length of pregnancy in cases where the termination of pregnancy is necessitated by the diagnosis of any of the substantial foetal abnormalities diagnosed by a Medical Board.
- Strengthening protection of privacy of a woman whose pregnancy has


been terminated.

- Failure of contraceptive clause extended to woman and her partner.

You are requested to ensure effective implementation of the above said MTP (Amendment) Act, 2021 and the rules framed therein-under in the State.



Yours faithfully,

  
**Mission Director**  
**National Health Mission**  
**Himachal Pradesh**  
**Email: md-hp-nrhm@nic.in**

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Copy for information and n/a to:

1. The Joint Secretary, RCH to the Government of India.
2. The Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Director Health Services, Himachal Pradesh.
4. The Director, Medical Education, Himachal Pradesh.
5. All the Deputy Commissioners, Himachal Pradesh.
6. The Principal/ Medical Superintendent, IGMCM, Shimla/ Dr.RPGMC Tanda, Kangra/ RKGMC, Hamirpur/ Dr. Y.S.Parmar Medical College, Nahan/ Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Govt. Medical College, Chamba/ Sh. Lal Bahadur Shastri Govt. Medical College, Mandi.
7. All the CMOs, Himachal Pradesh.
8. The Medical Superintendents, RH Bilaspur/ RH Chamba/ RH Hamirpur/ZH Dharamshala/ RH Kullu/ ZH Mandi/ZH Shimla/ RH Nahan/ RH Solan/ RH Una/CH Rohru/ MGMSC Khaneri, Shimla/ CH Palampur.
9. The Consultant (HMIS), NHM with the direction to upload the aforementioned PDF file on NHM portal.

  
**Mission Director**  
**National Health Mission**  
**Himachal Pradesh**