

Options for Ongoing Pregnancy or Retained Gestational Sac on Ultrasound After Medication Abortion*

Pregnancy without cardiac activity or with retained sac only offer:

EXPECTANT MANAGEMENT**,

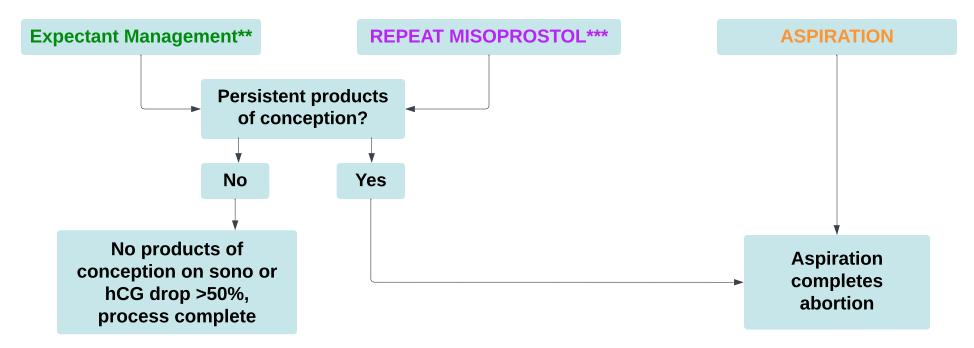
REPEAT MISOPROSTOL ***,

Or ASPIRATION

Pregnancy with cardiac activity offer:***

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*Ultrasound is not routinely needed for a medication abortion. An ultrasound is indicated if the follow-up Beta hCG does not drop more than 50% or if the history makes you suspicious that the pregnancy was not expelled. Thickened, heterogeneous endometrium is normal ultrasound finding post med ab.

** Expectant Management: Follow-up in 2-4 weeks

***While rare, patients who wish to continue pregnancy after should be counseled that there is no evidence of a teratogenic effect of mifepristone. However, the use of misoprostol in the first trimester may result in congenital anomalies.