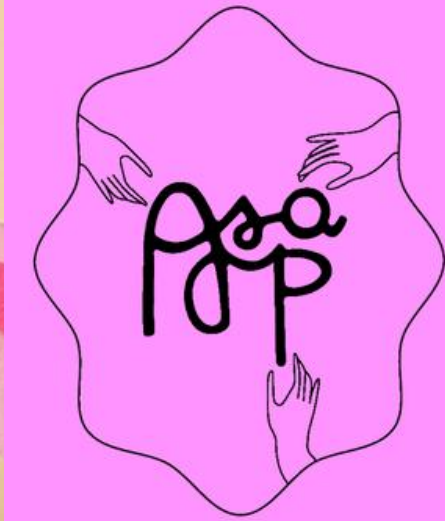


A hand is holding a pink paper cutout of a person's torso. The cutout has a rainbow on the left side and a blue bandage on the right side. The background is a solid orange color.

Reproductive justice

**for people with migrant
background**



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What is the goal of this workshop?

After this workshop you will know:



what is reproductive justice

the theory and the praxis about abortion in the Czech Republic

how to help people with migrant background who need an abortion

This workshop does not constitute medical advice. Every procedure carries potential health risks, and clients should discuss any concerns with a qualified healthcare professional or a trusted organization such as Women Help Women before proceeding.



Icebreaker

Let's introduce ourselves!

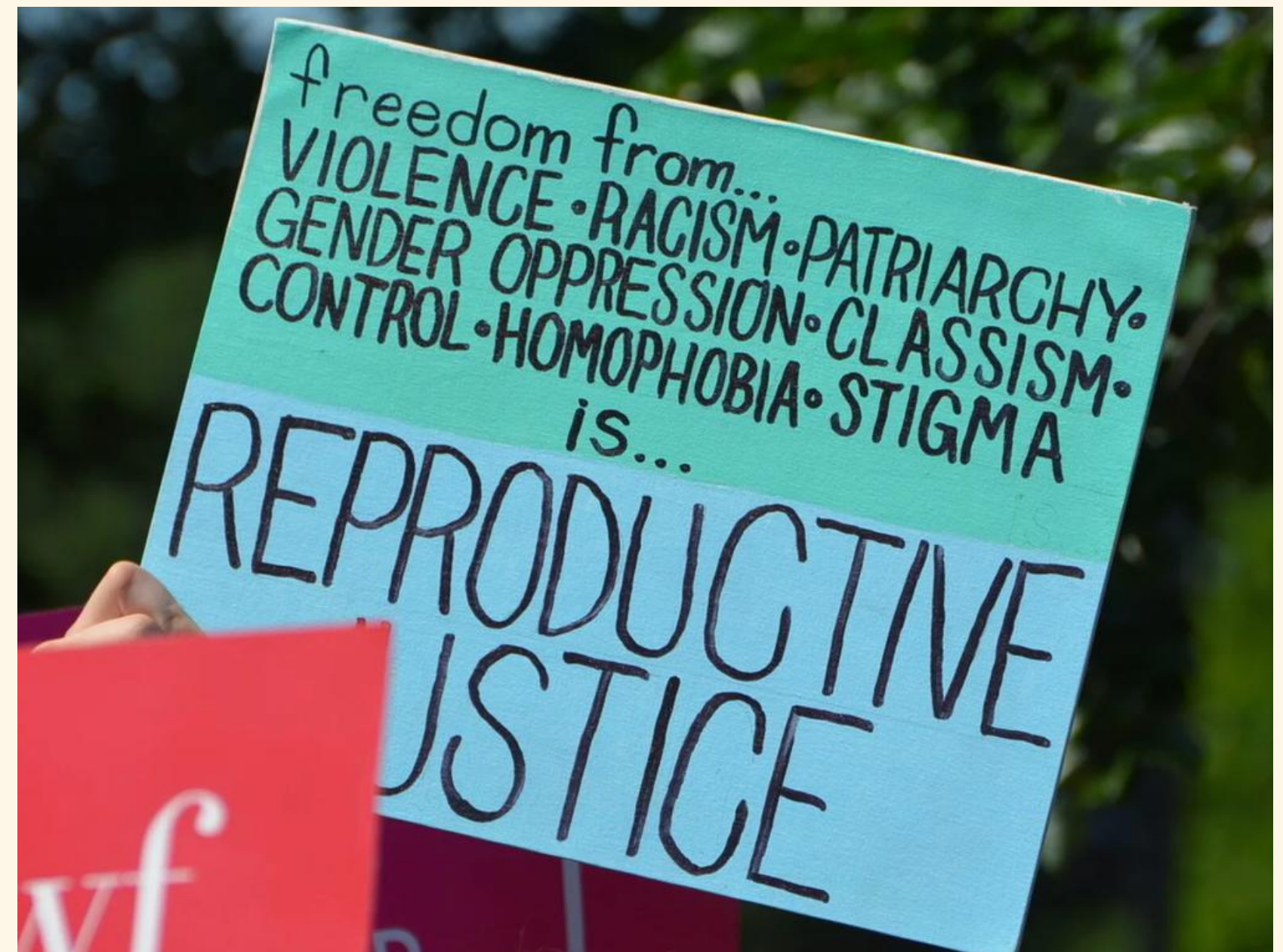
Is there anything specific you would like to learn today?

If you could instantly learn a new skill, what would it be?

Time: 5 minutes

Reproductive Justice

SisterSong defines Reproductive Justice as
*“the human right to maintain personal
bodily autonomy, have children, not have
children, and parent the children we have
in safe and sustainable communities.”*



Activity #1

What reproductive justice means for you?

Let's map what reproductive justice means to us.

Take a post-it note and write down the areas of reproductive health you can think of.

Time: 3 minutes



Abortion in theory

In the Czech Republic, abortion is legal up to:

- **the 12th week of pregnancy** for any reason,
- **up to the 24th week** in cases of genetic or fetal abnormalities,
- **throughout the pregnancy** if there is a threat to the life or health of the pregnant person.

**Insert
information
related to
your country**

How do we calculate the weeks of pregnancy? Check [this calculator](#).

Abortion in theory

In the Czech Republic, it is **not possible** to terminate a pregnancy **earlier than 6 months after the last abortion** (unless there are reasons).

The only exceptions are:

- if the person has given birth at least twice,
- if the person is 35 years old or older,
- valid reasons to suspect that the pregnancy resulted from a crime committed against the pregnant person.

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**Insert
information
related to
your country**

Abortion in theory

**How is
abortion law
formulated
in your
country?**

§ 10

Umělé přerušení těhotenství cizinkám

Umělé přerušení těhotenství podle § 4 se neprovede cizinkám, které se v České socialistické republice zdržují pouze přechodně.

Abortion in theory

Individuals who are **EU-citizens** **have the right** to terminate their pregnancy in the Czech Republic, as evidenced by a statement from the Ministry of Health in 2022. This also should include people who have **permanent residence in any EU country**.

**Do abortion law
in your country
address
foreigners?**

Prohlášení M
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Ministerstvo zdravotnictví reaguje i
Zvýšený zájem o tuto problematiku s
... cizinek podstoupit v ČR umělé přerušení těhotenství.
Zmíněný magazín citoval dopis ministra zdravotnictví poslanci Františku Kopřivovi z listopadu 2020. Přestože se v tomto
dopise cituje stanovisko Ministerstva zdravotnictví z roku 2016, jsou jeho závěry v následné pasáži relativizovány.
V návaznosti na zvýšený zájem o toto téma jsme detailně prověřili obsah dopisu, který připravil pověřený zaměstnanec. S
politováním musíme uznat, že v tomto případě došlo k závažnému pochybení. Uvedený text, ve kterém se autor kromě
zdravotnického výkladu pustil i do právní analýzy, neprošel standardním systémem, který je na ministerstvu nastavený.
Zaměstnanci pověřeni přípravou podobných stanovisek mají povinnost konzultovat obsah odpovědi jak s ministrem, tak i s
několika dalšími útvary (např. právní odbor či odbor komunikace). To se však v tomto případě nestalo. Výsledkem je, že
uvedená odpověď obsahuje závěry, které nejsou v souladu s platným právem.
Bezprostředně poté, co jsme toto pochybení zjistili, jsme z uvedené záležitosti vyvodili patřičné důsledky.
Chtěli bychom všechny znovu ujistit, že Ministerstvo zdravotnictví zastává i nadále stanovisko z roku 2016.
V něm publikované klíčové závěry lze shrnout následovně:

- Zákaz provedení umělého přerušení těhotenství se nevztahuje na cizinky, které mají povolení k pobytu na území České republiky podle některé z mezistátních dohod.
- Takovou mezistátní dohodou je i Smlouva o fungování Evropské unie (dříve Smlouva o založení Evropského společenství). Z jejího čl. 21 odst. 1 pak vyplývá jasné povolení pro občany Evropské unie pobývat na území České republiky (viz slova „Každý občan Unie má právo svobodně se pohybovat a pobývat na území členských států s výhradou omezení a podmínek stanovených ve Smlouvách a v opatřeních přijatých k jejich provedení.“).
- Takový výklad je též v souladu s čl. 4 odst. 3 směrnice Evropského parlamentu a Rady ze dne 28. listopadu 2004 (2004/83/ES) o právu azylu.

Abortion methods

Abortion by pills

Up to X weeks

Price:

2 visits to the hospital are required; the abortion process can take longer than one day

Abortion process will take place at home.

Surgical abortion

Up to X weeks

Price:

One visit, about 3-4 hours in the hospital

Abortion takes place in hospital/clinic.

Update with
info from
your country

Activity #2

Group discussion: mapping the obstacles



In groups of 4-5 people, share your experience:

- have you ever had a client who needed an abortion?
- or maybe you had other situations connected with reproductive health?

How did you deal with that? What obstacles did you face?

Time: 10 min

Abortion in praxis



Who is excluded from abortion care in the Czech Republic?

- people who don't hold a permanent residence in any EU country
- people who had abortion in the last 6 months
- trans men
- people with low income

**Who is
excluded from
abortion care
in your
country?**

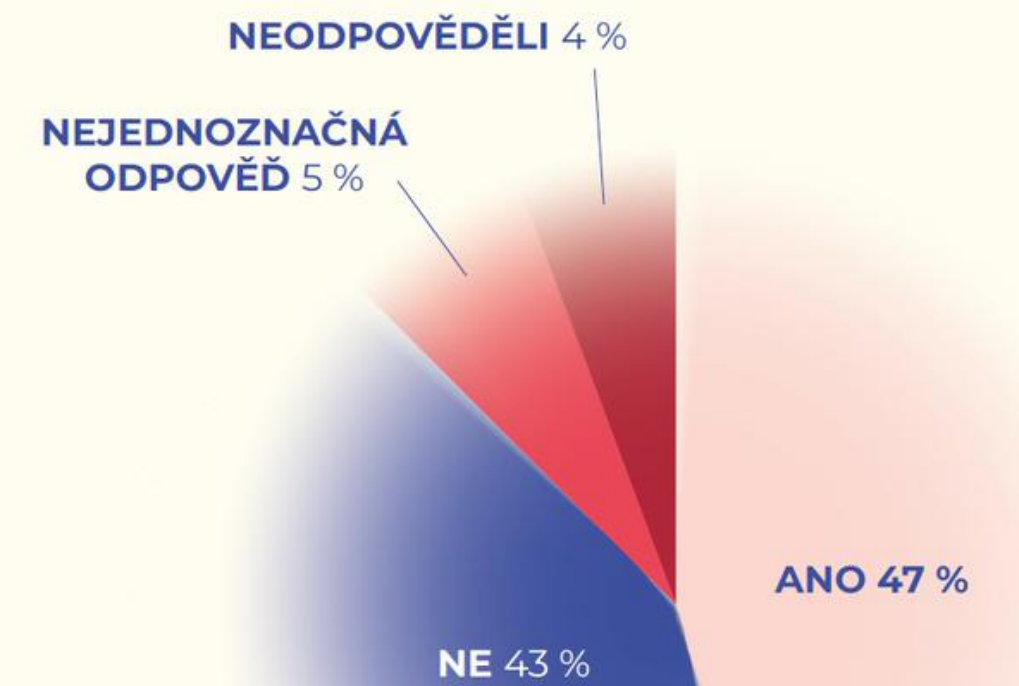
Abortion in praxis



People from the EU have the legal right to access abortion in the Czech Republic.

However, our research shows that **only 47% of Czech hospitals** accept EU foreigners for abortion procedures.

You can explore [our report here.](#)



Kolik nemocnic provádí interrupci osobám z EU?

Abortion in praxis



People from **outside the EU** who do not have permanent residence in any EU country face the greatest obstacles in accessing abortion.



Abortion in praxis



- ✓ **If the person is from EU**, they have a legal right to abortion in the Czech Republic.
- ✓ **If the person is from outside of the EU, but they have permanent residence in any EU country**, they have a legal right to abortion in the Czech Republic.
- ✗ **If the person is from outside of the EU, but they don't have permanent residence in any EU country**, they probably will be rejected for abortion procedure.

Abortion in praxis



What are the available solutions for migrant people?

- 1** Contact a hospital which is likely to accept foreigners
- 2** Order abortion pills from Women Help Women
- 3** If they live close to Germany or Austria, travel there for a procedure

What are the best solutions for the people with migrant background in your country?

Which hospitals accept foreigners?



LIST OF HOSPITALS

Please keep in mind that the situation varies from case to case. In some instances, they may accept a foreigner; in others, they may decline, depending on the specific documents the client holds and current policy of the hospital.

Abortion by pills



- Abortion pills can be ordered safely from a feminist organization **Women Help Women.**
- This method is recommended by WHO **until end of 12th week.**
- **Mifepristone and misoprostol** are the exact same pills as those administered in the hospital.
- Estimated cost: **75 EUR.**
- Delivery time via traditional post: **about 7-10 working days.**



Abortion in Germany and Austria



Accessible to everyone,
regardless of nationality.

Up to the **14th week of pregnancy.**

€250-500.

[Collective Ciocia Basia](#)



Accessible to everyone,
regardless of nationality.

Up to the **14th week of pregnancy.**

€250-900.

[Collective Ciocia Wienia](#)

Activity #3

Case studies



We will work in pairs on realistic scenarios:

- Read the scenario carefully and discuss it with your partner.
- Decide how you would solve the issue described in the scenario.

Be ready to briefly present your solution to the group.

Time: 10 min

Activity #3

Case studies



Case #1:

A person from Brasil who does not have permanent residence in any EU country and is living in Brno needs an abortion. The request was rejected by local hospitals. What would you advise?

Change the case studies to make them more relevant to your region. What situations are the most challenging for people seeking abortion access?

Activity #3

Case studies



Case #2:

A person from Ukraine who lives permanently in Prague, needs an abortion. **What do you advise?**

Activity #3

Case studies



Case #3:

A person from Poland who lives in the Czech Republic needs an abortion but already had one 5 months ago.

What would you advise?

Reflection: group discussion

What is your main takeaway from this workshop?

Please take a post-it and write what was the most important thing you learned today.

Time: 10 minutes

More resources



Abortion in the Czech Republic (A.S.A.P.' website)

List of hospitals in the Czech Republic

Women Help Women (abortion pills)

Psychological help after miscarriage

Informační portál o perinatální ztrátě

Our report on abortion access in the Czech Republic

**Add links:
organizations
from your
region, relevant
resources**

Feedback

We'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to fill out this Google Form and **share your feedback**. Your input helps us improve our workshops and make them even better!

Time: 5 minutes

