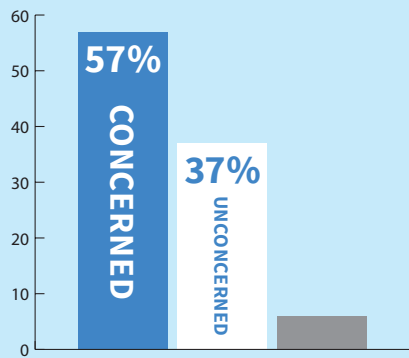


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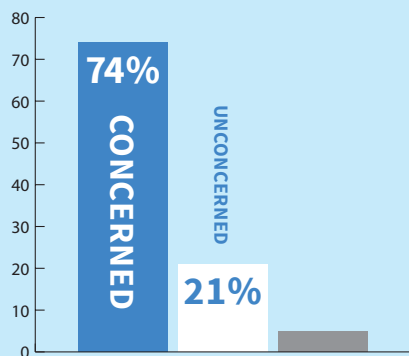
WHAT GPs THINK

SavantaComres carried out a poll of 1,000 general practitioners in the UK. The poll was commissioned by SPUC and Christian Concern.



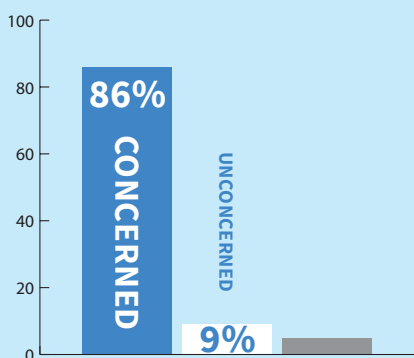
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The majority of GPs (57%) say they are concerned about women **having a medical abortion at home after a phone or video consultation with a doctor**. Just over a third (37%) say they are not concerned.



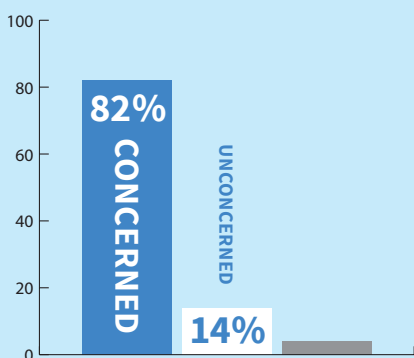
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Three-quarters of GPs (74%) say they are concerned about women **finding it distressing potentially having to dispose of the terminated pregnancy either into the toilet or sanitary pads**. 21% say they are not concerned.



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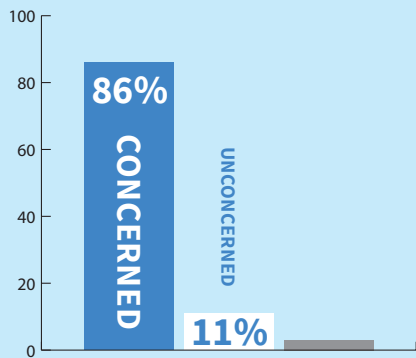
More than eight in ten GPs (86%) say they are concerned about women having a **medical abortion past the legal limit of ten weeks into gestation**. 9% say they are not concerned.



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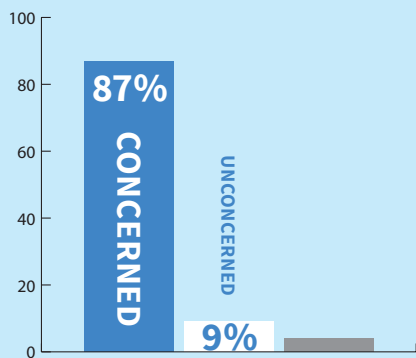
Eight in ten GPs (82%) say they are concerned about the possibility of **abortion pills being falsely obtained for another person with a telemedicine abortion appointment where the doctor has not seen the woman in person**. 14% say they are not concerned.





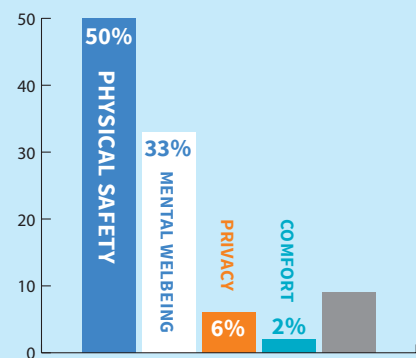
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More than eight in ten GPs (86%) say they are concerned about women being **at risk of being coerced into an abortion by a partner or family member with a telemedicine abortion appointment where the doctor has not seen the woman in person**. 11% say they are not concerned.



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More than eight in ten GPs (87%) say they are concerned about women being **at risk of unwanted abortion arising from domestic abuse by partners controlling or monitoring their actions with a telemedicine abortion appointment where the doctor has not seen the woman in person**. 9% say they are not concerned.



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When a woman has an abortion, her **physical safety is most commonly felt to be the most important consideration** (50%) by GPs. This is ahead of mental wellbeing (33%), privacy (6%) and comfort (2%).

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After being presented with information about an investigation that found that abortion providers had sent abortion drugs to women who had given false personal information (for example, name, address or claimed gestation), the vast majority of GPs agreed with each of the following:

- It is concerning that callers giving false information can easily obtain abortion drugs (90%).
- Staff at abortion providers need to ensure that they are collecting correct medical and personal information to certify a woman for a home abortion (94%).
- It is important that checks are put in place to ensure women being certified for abortion meet the legal criteria (94%).

