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When I had my abortions.

I was 12 weeks pregnant, again and just shaking off the worst of the morning sickness. I already had 2 small children under 3 to a previous relationship and had just miscarried at 7 months due to physical abuse at the hands of my then, current partner.

I made my decisions to abort my pregnancy based on fear. Fear for my safety and my children's safety. Fear of what he would do if I went ahead with this pregnancy.

Even after convincing me at 3 weeks into the pregnancy when I was ready to terminate that he did want it he had changed his mind.

I'm glad I had the abortion.

I had the abortion and for a while I reclaimed a bit of myself. I was twenty.

Although it would be a round about of abuse and 3 more abortions before I was able to peel that parasite from my life.

I was glad I now knew that it was safe, painless and an option that I could help others to know about.

I have accidentally educated people on abortion more times than I can count. People tell girls awful stories if the information isn't given out freely.

Later on when I married my soulmate our pregnancy showed an abnormality in the fetus that wasn't going to be compatible with life. We decided to pay for an early abortion rather than wait for the hospital to induce labour later in the pregnancy.

That was a dark time for me, it was a different termination. It wasn't my choice. Choice is everything.

I want my doctors to feel as safe as they made me feel.

I want them to be able to choose and specialize in whatever field they want to. I want my doctors to practice without fear.

I want you to give everyone the choice of a safe accessible abortion.