Some women who are denied abortions may need additional support & resources to reduce and/or stop problematic alcohol, drug, and tobacco use.

Most women, even those with unwanted pregnancies, reduce their alcohol use after discovering they are pregnant.

Policies that require abortion providers to tell women that having an abortion might put them at risk for alcohol or drug disorders are inaccurate.

There is no evidence that having an abortion leads women to increase their alcohol, tobacco, and drug use over time.

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