# MISOPROSTOL-ONLY

# **RECOMMENDED REGIMENS 2017**

<13 weeks'

### Pregnancy termination1

800ug sl every 3 hours or pv\*/bucc every 3-12 hours (2-3 doses)

#### Missed abortion<sup>2</sup>

800ug pv\* every 3 hours (x2) or 600µg sl every 3 hours (x2)

#### Incomplete abortion<sup>2,3,4</sup>

600µg po (x1) or 400µg sl (x1) or 400-800ug pv\* (x1)

#### Cervical preparation for surgical abortion

400µg sl 1 hour before procedure or pv\* 3 hours before procedure

13-26 weeks' gestation

#### Pregnancy termination<sup>1,5,6</sup>

- 13-24 weeks: 400µg pv\*/sl/ bucc every 3 hours
- 25-26 weeks: 200µg pv\*/sl/ bucc every 4 hours

### Fetal death<sup>1,5,6</sup>

200ug pv\*/sl/bucc every 4-6 hours

#### Inevitable abortion<sup>2,3,5,6,7</sup>

200µg pv\* /sl/bucc every 6 hours

#### Cervical preparation for surgical abortion

13-19 weeks: 400ug pv 3-4 hours before procedure >19 weeks: needs to be combined with other modalities >26 weeks' gestation8

# Pregnancy termination<sup>1,5,9</sup>

27-28 weeks: 200ua pv\*/sl/bucc every 4 hours >28 weeks: 100µg pv\*/ sl/bucc every 6 hours

# Fetal death<sup>2,9</sup>

27-28 weeks: 100µg pv\*/sl/bucc every 4 hours >28 weeks: 25µg pv\* every 6 hours or 25µg po every 2 hours

### Induction of labor<sup>2,9</sup>

25ug pv\* every 6 hours or 25ug po every 2 hours Postpartum use

#### Postpartum hemorrhage (PPH) prophylaxis<sup>2,10</sup> 600ua po (x1)

or PPH secondary

prevention 11 (approx. ≥350ml blood loss) 800µg sl (x1)

# PPH treatment<sup>2,10</sup>

800µg sl (x1)

- If mifepristone is available (preferable), follow the regimen prescribed for mifepristone + misoprostol
   Included in the WHO Model List of Essential Medicines
   For incomplete/inevitable abortion women should be treated based on their uterine size rather than last menstrual period (LMP) dating
   4 Leave to take effect over
- 9 If only 200 µg tablets are available, smaller doses can be made by dissolving in water (see www.misoprostol.org)
  10 Where oxytocin is not available or storage conditions are inadequate

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