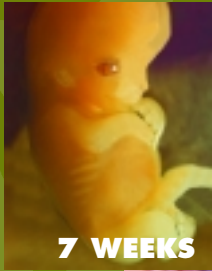


STAGES OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
(WEEKS FROM CONCEPTION)



7 WEEKS



8 WEEKS



14 WEEKS



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- 1** The risk of breast cancer nearly doubles after one abortion and increases even more with two or more abortions. ⁽¹⁾
- 2** Women who have had abortions are more likely to give birth to children with handicaps. ⁽²⁾
- 3** Post-abortive women are likely to have worse health over all than other women. ⁽³⁾
- 4** One in five women who have had abortions will suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder — the illness most commonly linked with soldiers returning from the battlefield. ⁽⁴⁾
- 5** As many as 60 percent of women who have had abortions think about suicide. ⁽⁵⁾
- 6** Women who abort are twice as likely to become heavy smokers. ⁽⁶⁾
- 7** Abortion is linked with a two-fold increased risk of alcohol abuse among women. ⁽⁷⁾
- 8** Abortion is linked to subsequent drug abuse. ⁽⁸⁾

- 9** Women who abort are more likely to suffer from eating disorders such as anorexia and bulimia. ⁽⁹⁾
- 10** Abortion is linked with increased depression and violent behavior — factors which are closely associated with child abuse. ⁽¹⁰⁾

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