

1. Licensure is required in Utah for the operation of abortion clinics. An abortion provider must complete the following information to receive a license to operate:
  - a. Licensing application
  - b. Attendance at licensing orientation
  - c. Administrator credential verification
  - d. Application/Licensing fees
  - e. Business license
  - f. Plan review/construction review

The number of abortion clinics licensed from 2008 – 2013 is as follows:

Year	Number of Clinics Licensed
2008	1
2009	1
2010	1
2011	1
2012	4
2013	3

2. From 2008 to 2013, there have been no licensing actions taken against abortion clinics in the state.
3. The state does conduct inspections of abortion clinics in Utah. The total number of inspections/year is as follows:

Year	Number of Inspections Conducted
2008	1
2009	0
2010	0
2011	0
2012	8
2013	3

Inspections are conducted using the regulatory requirements in Utah Statute Title 26 Chapter 21 Section 6.5 and Utah Administrative Code R432-600. The Administrative Code can be found at: <http://www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r432/r432-600.htm>.

Inspections are currently required of all abortion clinics two times each year. One of the inspections must be without prior notice to the provider and one inspection can be scheduled with the provider. A team of at least two inspectors conducts each survey, with one team member having RN credentials.

4. The Bureau of Licensing and Certification within the Utah Department of Health does monitor complaints of abortion clinics. Complaints can be filed by calling or writing the Utah Department of Health with the appropriate information. Intake staff triage and document complaint details. The complaint is forwarded to the Licensing Manager for assignment to the survey schedule. The total number of complaints/year is as follows:

Year	Number of Complaints Investigated
2008	0
2009	0
2010	0
2011	0
2012	0
2013	0

- a. Complaints are investigated by licensing staff based on the allegations of the complaint. A complaint inspection is scheduled based on triage timeframes and staff show up at the provider without prior notice. Allegations are thoroughly researched to ascertain whether the complaint can be substantiated or not. If significant problems are found, the inspectors have the option to expand the survey to a full inspection with the approval of the manager. There have been no complaints filed for abortion clinics in the last six years.
5. The Utah Department of Health has not initiated any disciplinary action against an abortion clinic in the state.
6. Copies of the rules and regulations governing abortion clinics can be found at: <http://www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r432/r432-600.htm>.

The Utah Code relating to abortion clinics can be found at: [http://le.utah.gov/code/TITLE26/htm/26\\_21\\_000605.htm](http://le.utah.gov/code/TITLE26/htm/26_21_000605.htm).

The Utah Department of Health is tasked with enforcing both the statute and rules referred to above. Enforcement is accomplished through the licensing process and through yearly inspections of abortion clinics, and the investigation of any complaints submitted by any individual.

