

reasonable degree of medical certainty that the fetus is affected by genetic defect or serious deformity or abnormality; or where it can be ascertained by the physician with a reasonable degree of medical certainty that termination of pregnancy is medically necessary because there is substantial risk that continuation of the pregnancy could have a serious and adverse effect on the woman's present or future physical health; or before an abortion can be performed on the grounds of mental health there must be certification in writing by the physician or surgeon that in his or her professional judgment there exists medical evidence that continuation of the pregnancy is creating a serious effect on the woman's present mental health and if carried to term there is a substantial risk of a serious or long lasting effect on the woman's future mental health. ~~Further provided that no funding may be used to renew contracts with managed care organizations which have not met their obligation to reimburse School Based Health Centers for services provided to HealthChoice participants as described in COMAR 10.09.67.28 and COMAR 10.09.68.~~ *Further provided that the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall take the necessary steps to ensure that managed care organizations reimburse School Based Health Centers for services provided to HealthChoice participants as described in COMAR 10.09.67.28 and COMAR 10.09.68. The department shall report to the budget committees by September 1, 1998 on the degree to which managed care organizations are not reimbursing School Based Health Centers in accordance with the HealthChoice regulations and on the steps which are being taken to ensure compliance. Further provided that \$1,000,000 of this appropriation cannot be expended until the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene submits a plan to the*