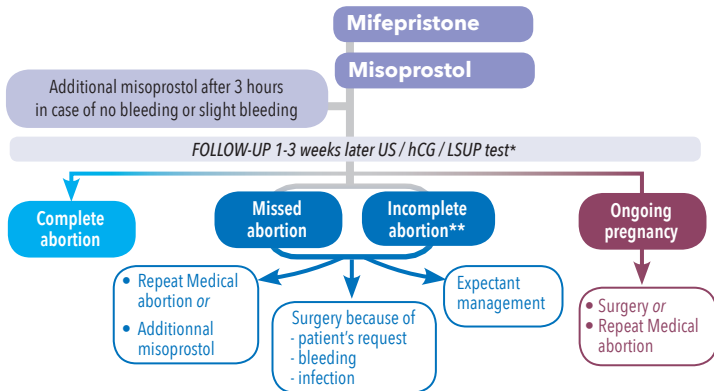


# MANAGEMENT OF MTOp

Medical Termination of Pregnancy until 9<sup>th</sup> week gestation



\* US= Ultra Sound; hCG= human chorionic gonadotropin; LSUP= low sensitivity urinary pregnancy test

\*\* Ultrasound cannot differentiate between blood clots and residua. This may lead inexperienced clinicians to carry out unnecessary interventions (evacuation of the uterus) based on the presence of ultrasonically visible but clinically unimportant blood clots. (Fiala, Safar, Bygdeman, Gemzell-Danielsson, Eur J Obstet Gynecol Reprod Biol. 2003)

# INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES & RECOMMENDATIONS\*

## Definition of success / failure



A medical abortion is **successful** when the expulsion has occurred without the need of any additional treatment (repeating medical abortion, PGs alone or surgery).

A medical abortion has **failed** when pregnancy is ongoing.

For research protocols, outcomes should be assessed at standardised time points (follow-up including self-assessment).

\* C. Fiala et al., Outcome of first trimester medical termination of pregnancy – definitions and management, submitted for publication.  
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