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**2025 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Bill No. 24-38 (COR)**

Introduced by:

William A. Parkinson



**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW CHAPTER 98 TO TITLE 10,  
GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO  
EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF  
RAPE.**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

**Section 1.** A *new* Chapter 98 is *added* to Title 10, Guam Code Annotated to  
read:

**“CHAPTER 98**

**EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF RAPE**

**ACT**

**Section 1. Definitions.** As used in this Chapter, the following terms shall  
mean:

(a) “emergency care to sexual assault victims” means a medical  
examination, procedure, or service provided by an emergency health care  
facility to a sexual assault victim following an alleged sexual offense.

(b) “emergency contraception” means one (1) or more prescription  
drugs to prevent pregnancy, used separately or in combination, administered  
to or self-administered by a patient within a medically recommended time  
after sexual intercourse, dispensed for that purpose in accordance with

1 professional standards of practice and determined to be safe by the United  
2 States Food and Drug Administration.

3 (c) “emergency health care facility” means a general hospital or  
4 satellite emergency department licensed under Guam law.

5 (d) “medically and factually accurate and objective” means verified  
6 or supported by the weight of research conducted in compliance with  
7 accepted scientific methods and standards, published in peer-reviewed  
8 journals and recognized as accurate and objective by leading professional  
9 organizations and agencies with relevant expertise in the field of obstetrics  
10 and gynecology.

11 (e) “sexual assault victim” means a female who alleges or is alleged  
12 to have suffered a personal, physical, or psychological injury as a result of a  
13 sexual offense.

14 (f) “sexual offense” means criminal sexual conduct as defined in 9  
15 GCA Chapter 25.

16 **Section 2. Provision of Emergency Care to Sexual Assault Victim.**

17 An emergency health care facility shall provide emergency care to a sexual  
18 assault victim. It shall be the standard of care for an emergency health care facility  
19 to:

20 (a) provide each sexual assault victim with medically and factually  
21 accurate and objective oral and written information about emergency  
22 contraception and sexually transmitted diseases, as provided for in Section 3  
23 of this Chapter;

24 (b) orally inform each sexual assault victim of her option to be  
25 provided emergency contraception at the health care facility; and

26 (c) provide emergency contraception to the sexual assault victim,  
27 upon her request, unless contraindicated. If the emergency contraceptive is in

1 the form of pills, the provision of the emergency contraception shall include  
2 the initial dose that the victim may take at the emergency health care facility,  
3 as well as the follow-up dose that the victim can self-administer later.

4 An emergency health care facility shall not be required to provide emergency  
5 contraception to a sexual assault victim who is pregnant.”

6 **Section 3. Policies, Procedures Concerning Personnel Training.**

7 An emergency health care facility shall have written policies and procedures  
8 to ensure that all personnel who provide care or information to a sexual assault  
9 victim:

10 (a) are trained to provide medically and factually accurate and  
11 objective information about emergency contraception and sexually  
12 transmitted diseases to a sexual assault victim; and

13 (b) provide that information to a sexual assault victim.

14 **Section 4. Written Information Relative to Emergency Contraception**  
15 **for Sexual Assault Victims.**

16 The Director of Public Health and Social Services, in collaboration with the  
17 Director of the Bureau of Women’s Affairs, the Guam Sexual Assault Response  
18 Team, and the Guam Coalition against Sexual Assault and Family Violence, shall  
19 develop, prepare, and produce written information relating to emergency  
20 contraception for the prevention of pregnancy in sexual assault victims; and sexually  
21 transmitted diseases.

22 The information shall be clearly written and readily comprehensible in a  
23 culturally competent manner, as the Director, in collaboration with the Bureau of  
24 Women’s Affairs, the Guam Sexual Assault Response Team, and the Guam  
25 Coalition against Sexual Assault and Family Violence, deems necessary to inform a  
26 sexual assault victim. The information shall explain the nature of emergency  
27 contraception, the effectiveness of emergency contraception in preventing

1 pregnancy, where emergency contraception can be obtained, and treatment options;  
2 and the symptoms and effects of sexually transmitted diseases, and treatment  
3 options. The information shall be distributed to all hospital and satellite emergency  
4 departments for use in those facilities.”

5 **Section 2. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

6 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any  
7 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not  
8 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without  
9 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are  
10 severable.