

I Mina'trentai Ocho Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
BILL STATUS

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24-38 (COR) As amended by the Committee on Health and Veterans Affairs; and further amended on the Floor.	William A. Parkinson	AN ACT TO <i>ADD</i> A NEW CHAPTER 98 TO TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF RAPE.	1/14/25 9:37 a.m. ^2/13/25 4:20 p.m.	2/21/25	Committee on Health and Veterans Affairs.	Request 2/21/25 2/28/25	5/13/25 2:00 p.m.	7/14/25 As Amended.	
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FRANK F. BLAS JR.

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HONORABLE FRANK F. BLAS JR., Speaker

I Mina'trentai Ocho na Liheslaturan Guåhan

38th Guam Legislature
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Re: Bill No. 24-38 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 98 TO TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF RAPE."

Håfa Adai Mister Speaker,

Bill No. 24-38 (COR) codifies existing practice to provide medically factual information about contraception and sexually transmitted diseases to each survivor of rape who will then have the option to be provided emergency contraception. This legislation ensures that emergency health care facilities are equipped to provide emergency contraception promptly and without judgment.

I commend Senator Parkinson for continuing to advance this legislation affirming our collective responsibility to protect the health, dignity, and autonomy of survivors of sexual assault. Bill No. 24-38 (COR) ultimately reflects our shared belief that survivors deserve not only compassion but also access to all medically appropriate options needed to prevent further harm.

For these reasons, I sign Bill No. 24-38 (COR) into law as **Public Law 38-38**.

Senseramente,

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
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Acting Governor of Guam



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I MINA'TRENTAI OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO *I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN*

This is to certify that **Bill No. 24-38 (COR)**, “AN ACT TO **ADD A NEW CHAPTER 98 TO TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF RAPE,**” was on the 31st day of July 2025, duly and regularly passed.



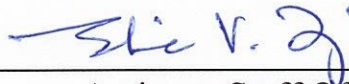
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Speaker

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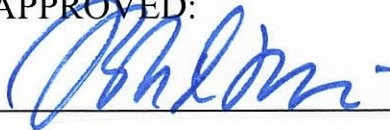
V. Anthony Ada
Acting Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* this 6th day of August, 2025, at 7:58 o'clock A.M.



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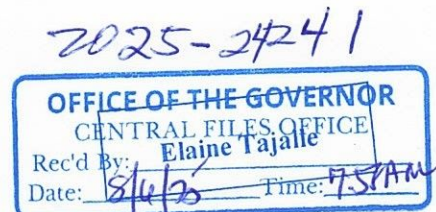
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JOSHUA F. TENORIO
ACTING GOVERNOR OF GUAM

Date: August 18, 2025

Public Law No. 38-38



Bill No. 24-38 (COR)

Introduced by:

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

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

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

4 “CHAPTER 98

5 EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION FOR SURVIVORS OF RAPE ACT

1 **§ 98101. Definitions.** As used in this Chapter, the following terms shall
2 mean:

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

6 (b) emergency contraception means one (1) or more prescription
7 drugs to prevent pregnancy, used separately or in combination, administered
8 to or self-administered by a patient within a medically recommended time
9 after sexual intercourse, dispensed for that purpose in accordance with
10 professional standards of practice and determined to be safe by the United
11 States Food and Drug Administration.

12 (c) emergency health care facility means a general hospital or
13 satellite emergency department licensed under Guam law.

14 (d) medically and factually accurate and objective means verified or
15 supported by the weight of research conducted in compliance with accepted
16 scientific methods and standards, published in peer-reviewed journals and
17 recognized as accurate and objective by leading professional organizations
18 and agencies with relevant expertise in the field of obstetrics and gynecology.

19 (e) sexual assault victim means a female who alleges or is alleged to
20 have suffered a personal, physical, or psychological injury as a result of a
21 sexual offense.

22 (f) sexual offense means criminal sexual conduct as defined in 9
23 GCA Chapter 25.

24 **§ 98102. Provision of Emergency Care to Sexual Assault Victim.**

25 An emergency health care facility shall provide emergency care to a sexual
26 assault victim. It shall be the standard of care for an emergency health care facility
27 to:

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

5 (b) orally inform each sexual assault victim of her option to be
6 provided emergency contraception at the health care facility or Healing Hearts
7 Crisis Center; and

8 (c) provide emergency contraception to the sexual assault victim,
9 upon her request, unless contraindicated. If the emergency contraceptive is in
10 the form of pills, the provision of the emergency contraception shall include
11 the initial dose that the victim may take at the emergency health care facility,
12 as well as the follow-up dose that the victim can self-administer later.

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

15 **§ 98103. Policies, Procedures Concerning Personnel Training.**

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

19 (a) are trained to provide medically and factually accurate and
20 objective information about emergency contraception and sexually
21 transmitted diseases to a sexual assault victim; and

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

23 **§ 98104. Written Information Relative to Emergency Contraception**
24 **for Sexual Assault Victims.**

25 The Director of Public Health and Social Services, in collaboration with the
26 Director of the Bureau of Women’s Affairs, the Guam Sexual Assault Response
27 Team, the Guam Coalition against Sexual Assault and Family Violence and the

1 Healing Hearts Crisis Center, shall develop, prepare, and produce written
2 information relating to emergency contraception for the prevention of pregnancy in
3 sexual assault victims; and sexually transmitted diseases.

4 The information shall be clearly written and readily comprehensible in a
5 culturally competent manner, as the Director, in collaboration with the Bureau of
6 Women's Affairs, the Guam Sexual Assault Response Team, the Guam Coalition
7 against Sexual Assault and Family Violence and the Healing Hearts Crisis Center,
8 deems necessary to inform a sexual assault victim. The information shall explain the
9 nature of emergency contraception, the effectiveness of emergency contraception in
10 preventing pregnancy, where emergency contraception can be obtained, and
11 treatment options; and the symptoms and effects of sexually transmitted diseases,
12 and treatment options. The information shall be distributed to all hospital and
13 satellite emergency departments for use in those facilities."

14 **Section 2.** A new paragraph (l) is *added* to § 163.40, Chapter 163, Title 8,
15 Guam Code Annotated, to read as follows:

16 "(l) to have access to emergency contraception as provided for by
17 Chapter 98, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated."

18 **Section 3 Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

19 **Section 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any
20 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or inorganic, such invalidity shall not
21 affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without
22 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are
23 severable.