 

***Uterine Evacuation in Crisis Settings Using Manual Vacuum Aspiration***

**Advantages/Disadvantages of**

**Medical Intervention versus Vacuum Aspiration Chart**

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|  | **Medical Intervention** | **Vacuum Aspiration** |
| **Advantages** | > Avoids instrumentation, anesthesia> More natural, like menses> Less painful to some women> Easier emotionally for some women> Can be provided by mid-level staff> Woman can be more in control, involved | > Quicker> More certain> Less painful to some women> Easier emotionally for some women> Can be provided by mid-level staff> Provider controlled> Woman can be less involved |
| **Disadvantages** |  > Bleeding, cramping, nausea (actualor feared)> Waiting, uncertainty> Depending on protocol, more or longerclinic visits> Cost | > Invasive> Small risk of uterine or cervical injury> Small risk of infection> Loss of privacy, autonomy |