

Recommendations from Marie Stopes International

Paragraph 12: include **healthcare settings** given the coercive and discriminatory practices that can occur in the provision of healthcare to women and girls

Recommendations 15:

- d) include iv. How to identify and develop appropriate referral mechanisms
- j) include 'legislation that criminalises or restricts access to safe and legal abortion services and other reproductive health services (e.g. contraception)

Protection and redress

a) iii Health-care services should be responsive to trauma and include reproductive health services. Services should be timely (emergency contraception and post-exposure prophylaxis needs to be provided within 72 hours) and comprehensive (including access to safe abortion). For many women their first and only contact with care and possible recourse to justice is the health system and services are therefore vital entry points not just to save lives and support women but for onward referral to legal and other support services.