

Table 4 Maternal indications for the application for a legal abortion licence at the Tehran Province General Office of Legal Medicine from 23 August 2011 to 22 August 2012, according to issuance or not of the licence

Maternal indication for the abortion license request	Licence issued		Licence not issued		Total		P-value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Cardiac disease	15	23.1	12	5.9	27	10.1	< 0.001 ^a
Renal disease	6	9.2	9	4.4	15	5.6	0.143 ^a
Neurological and psychological disease	11	16.9	58	28.6	69	25.7	0.062 ^a
Rheumatic disorder	2	3.1	19	9.4	21	7.8	0.096 ^a
Lung disease	0	0	3	1.5	3	1.1	0.999 ^b
Blood disorder	2	3.1	6	3.0	8	3.0	0.960 ^a
Skeletal disorder	4	6.2	9	4.4	13	4.9	0.523 ^b
Gastrointestinal disease	1	1.5	5	2.5	6	2.2	0.999 ^b
Cancer	12	18.5	8	3.9	20	7.5	< 0.001 ^b
Hypertension	2	3.1	11	5.4	13	4.9	0.740 ^b
Diabetes	1	1.5	5	2.5	6	2.2	0.999
Thyroid disorder	0	0	3	1.5	3	1.1	0.999 ^b
Uterus and its appendages problem	2	3.1	13	6.4	15	5.6	0.534 ^b
HIV-positive	7	10.8	5	2.5	12	4.5	0.010 ^b
Unwanted pregnancy	0	0	9	4.4	9	3.4	0.119 ^b
Old age	0	0	3	1.5	3	1.1	0.999 ^b
Abnormalities in the other children	0	0	5	2.5	5	1.9	0.340 ^b
Paternal disorders	0	0	5	2.5	5	1.9	0.340 ^b
Other	0	0	15	7.4	15	5.6	0.026 ^b
Total	65	100	203	100	268	100	-

^aChi-squared test; ^bFisher exact test.