Abortion

Abortion is normally not permitted, except:

- To save the mother's life, or
- Sometimes when necessary for the health of the mother (but that can also be her mental health--consult a *rabbi*), or
- When a fetus cannot be born alive.

Even Down's syndrome and other developmental or genetic problems may not be enough to justify abortion, but an expert *rabbi* should be consulted since this is a very complicated area.

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