Record Nr. UNINA9910372815003321 Decriminalising Abortion in the UK: What Would It Mean? // edited by **Titolo** Sally Sheldon and Kaye Wellings Pubbl/distr/stampa Bristol, England:,: Bristol University Press,, 2020 **ISBN** 1-4473-5401-X Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (ii, 163 pages): illustrations Descrizione fisica Disciplina 362.198880941 Soggetti Abortion - Government policy - Great Britain Decriminalization Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Front Matter -- Contents -- List of figures and tables -- List of cases, statutes and statutory instruments -- Notes on contributors --Introduction -- Is public opinion in support of decriminalisation? --How would decriminalisation affect women's health? -- Would decriminalisation mean deregulation? -- The effects of decriminalisation in Northern Ireland -- What would be the likely impact of decriminalisation on the incidence, timing, provision and safety of abortion? -- Notes -- References -- Index Sommario/riassunto Available Open Access under CC-BY-NC licence. The public and parliamentary debate about UK abortion law reform is often diverted away from key moral and political questions by disputes regarding basic questions of fact. And all too often, claims of scientific 'fact' are ideologically driven. But what effect would decriminalisation be likely to have on women's health? What would be the impact on the incidence of abortions? Would decriminalisation equate to deregulation, sweeping away necessary restrictions on dangerous or malicious conduct? With each chapter written by leading experts in the fields of medicine, law, reproductive health and social science, this book offers a concise and authoritative account of the evidence regarding the likely impact of

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