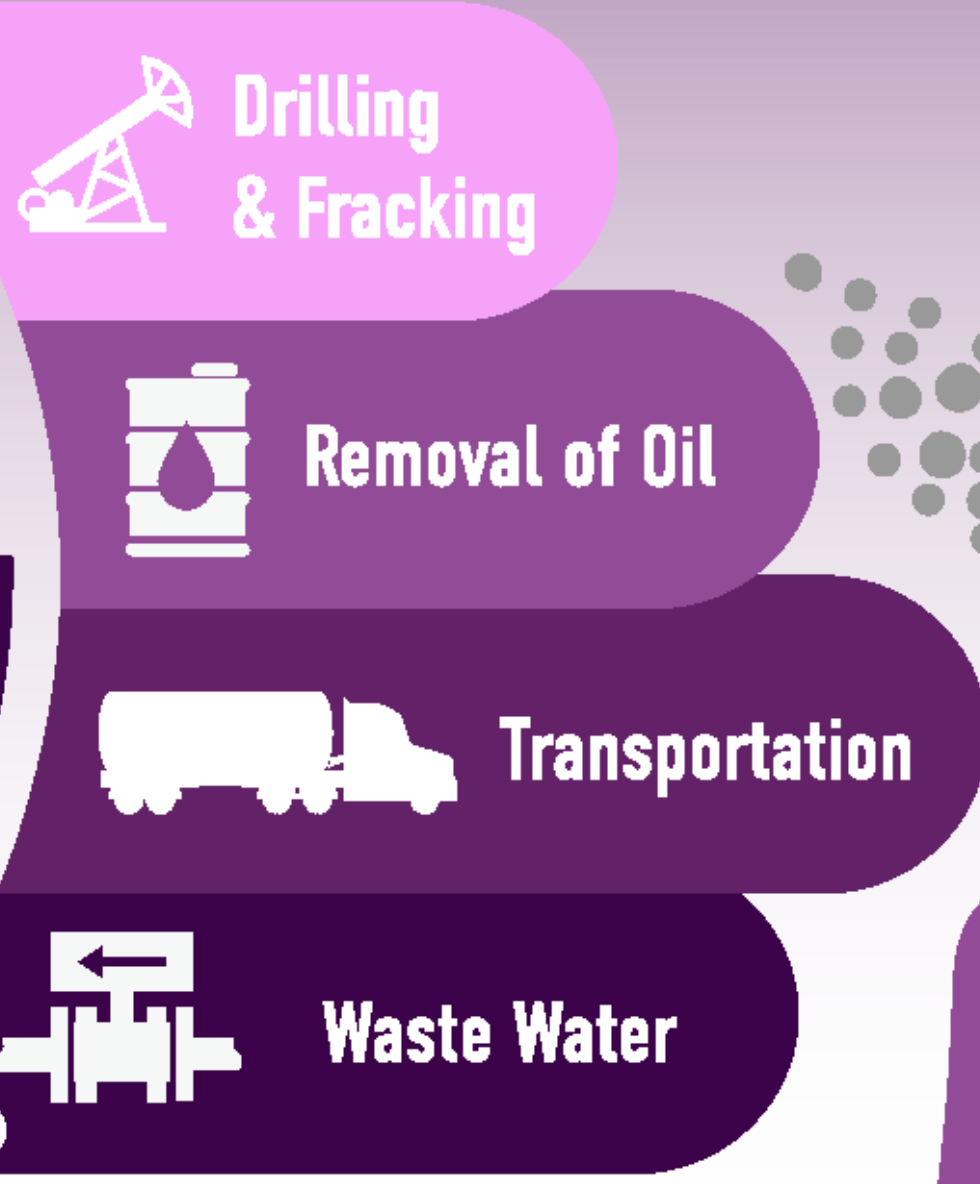


OIL & GAS EXTRACTION & WOMEN'S HEALTH

Conventional and unconventional oil and natural gas extraction activities can contaminate the air, soil, water. Women living in close proximity to oil and gas wells can experience adverse health outcomes, including reproductive harm.



Chemicals

Hundreds of chemicals are used in the production of oil and natural gas that are toxic or carcinogenic such as benzene and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs).

Exposure

Exposure can occur through air, water or soil and may impact women's health.

Health Impacts

- Cough
- Nosebleeds
- Loss of smell
- Throat & nose irritation
- Sinus problems
- Eye burning
- Headaches
- Skin problems
- Stress



Preterm birth, lower birth weight



Birth defects (especially heart defects)



Miscarriage



Pregnancy complications, anxiety and depression



Endocrine disruption

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