

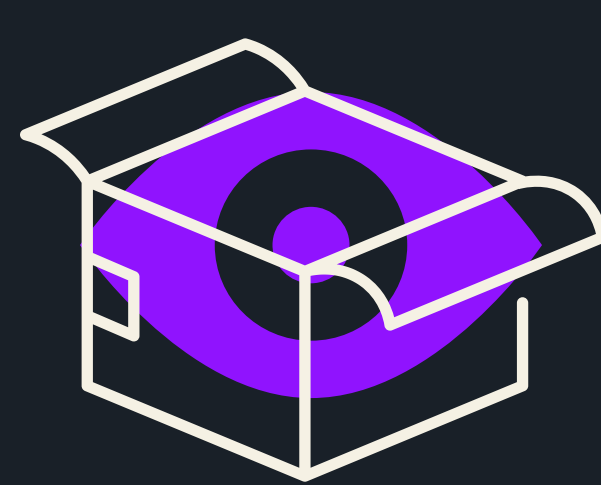
Stages of *Decision-Making*



Social context

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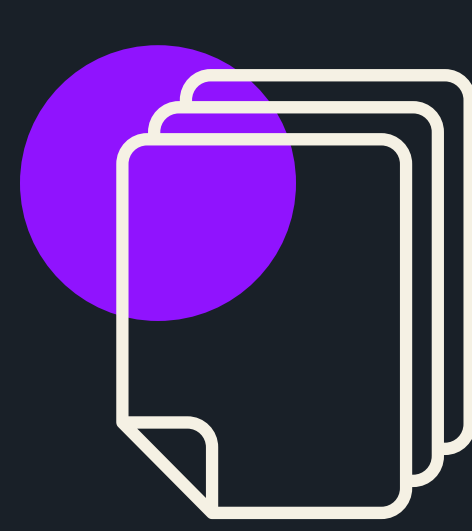
Child's potential challenges



Questions about

social ostracism

Financial and resource limitations



Awareness of

lack of societal support in the face of financial, energy, time, and emotional commitment

02

Impact on Family

Effects on the

family and marriage

Siblings



Lasting effects on surviving siblings: heavy responsibility

Marriage



Effects of caregiving stress on marriage and concern about divorce

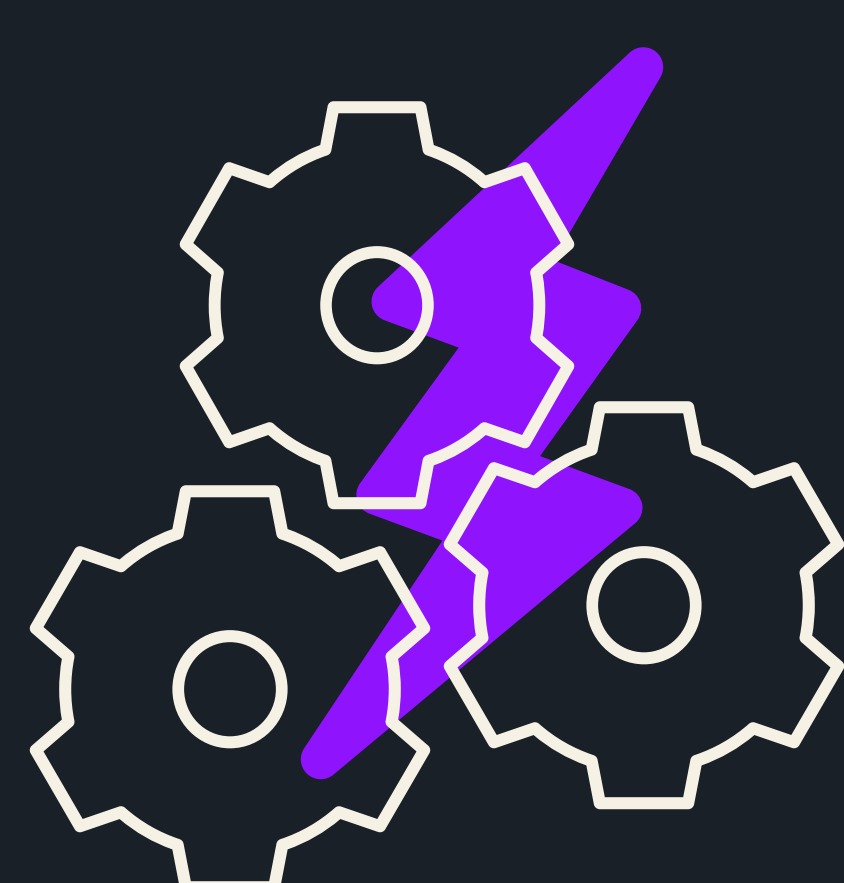
Cost



Overall economic strain and effect on family unit

Self-Assessment

03



A new understanding

Goodness of fit between new information and intersection with family, marriage, society



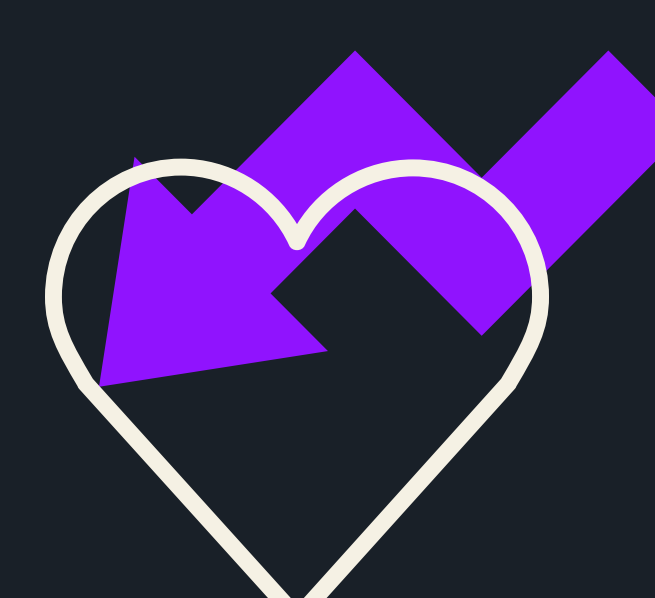
A "rude awakening"

Becoming aware of one's own limitations as a caregiver, willingness and ability to parent



Estimate of ability to cope

Given all of the above information



Result

Terminating the pregnancy or continuing to term