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## Law may not stop mailed abortion pills

### Iowa the latest state to restrict prescriptions from telehealth clinics

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DES MOINES – Starting July 1, Iowans seeking abortion-inducing pills will be legally required to receive them in person from a health care provider.

The law, which Gov. Kim Reynolds signed May 19, is the most recent layer of abortion-related restrictions Iowa's Republican-controlled legislature has instituted in the past decade. Going forward, it requires in-

person visits for mifepristone and misoprostol, an abortion method the Food and Drug Administration has determined to be safe and effective.

Iowa's new law also requires doctors to screen patients for signs of abuse and coercion before dispensing abortion pills, said Maggie DeWitte, executive director of the anti-abortion group Pulse Life Advocates. Health care providers will have to inform

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The public art park in the Village of Newcomerstown is adjacent to the municipal building. It was created through a collaborative effort between the Arts Center of Newcomerstown, Newcomerstown NOW, Oak Pointe and the village and is managed by Newcomerstown Parks & Recreation.

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## Public art park now open

### Community effort creates lasting home for art and literacy

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A new public art park has opened in Newcomerstown after a partnership transferred a creative space into permanent village ownership.

The project was developed by the Arts Center of Newcomerstown and approved by local officials before being donated to the Village of Newcomerstown as a public amenity, according to a community announcement.

The site, now named the Village Art Park, sits next to the municipal building at 308 S. College St. and is intended as a gathering space for reading, artwork and community activity.

### Partnership builds on existing community space

The park expands on an area already used for public engagement, which included a Little Free Library and a Storybook Bench created through a partnership led by Newcomerstown NOW.

Organizers said the goal was to establish a permanent location combining art, literacy and community involvement.

The Storybook Bench project began as an idea from members of Newcomerstown NOW seeking a place for



ARTSNCT Executive Director Michael Wise, left, and Newcomerstown Mayor Pat Cadle celebrate the opening of the new art park.

children to read near the library. The concept grew when Oak Pointe joined the effort and worked with designers to create the bench, which was then hand-painted by community members. The installation is now part of the art park.

### Donation ensures long-term public access

Under the agreement, the arts center transferred its outdoor creative space to the village, where it will be maintained by Newcomerstown Parks & Recreation.

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## Comstock Metals plans expansion

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Comstock Metals plans to open a solar panel recycling and production facility in Cambridge, bringing new jobs and expanding the company's national recycling network.

The Cambridge site is one of several locations selected by the company and will include a logistics hub, according to a community announcement. Company officials said the operation is expected to create 20 full-time positions.

Comstock Metals LLC, a subsidiary of Comstock Inc., focuses on recycling end-of-life solar panels and

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