

Questions to Ask if You are Considering Freezing Your Eggs (45)

Since 1980 scientists have been working to perfect the process of freezing unfertilized eggs. By the mid-1990s success rates were reported and healthy babies were being born from this procedure. If you are considering freezing your eggs, please consider the following issues.

- How long has your clinic offered this option?
- Is medication used to stimulate the ovaries prior to egg retrieval?
- If so what type and what are the expenses involved for the medications and required monitoring?
- How many retrieved eggs are considered a good amount?
- How many successful pregnancies (to term) has the clinic had using frozen eggs? What is the multiple pregnancy rate?
- What are the fees for storing the eggs?
- How long can they be kept frozen?
- Can they be sent to another clinic if needed?
- What is the expected thaw rate?
- What is the expected fertilization rate?
- Can pre-implantation genetic (PGD) screening be done on the eggs or embryos before transfer?
- What happens to the frozen eggs if you decide you do not want to thaw and use them?

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