



IMPORTANT INFORMATION IF YOU CRYOPRESERVE YOUR EMBRYOS OR OOCYTES

What is Cryopreservation?

Oocytes (unfertilized eggs) or any extra embryos that were not transferred and have made it to the blastocyst stage (day 5, 6, or 7) can be considered for freezing. We use the most advanced process, called vitrification. Vitrification is done by placing the oocyte or embryo into a solution and then rapidly freezing it in liquid nitrogen.

If you are planning to have an embryo transfer, an embryologist and your physician will review your results with you prior to your procedure. The embryologist will inform you if you have surplus embryos that may be appropriate for freezing on day 5, 6, or 7. **If you elect cryopreservation, the embryologist will call you with your final number of frozen embryos by day 7.**

Who is Cryopreserving (freezing) my Oocytes and/or Embryos?

CryoVault is the division that is providing your cryogenic storage. CryoVault has been providing state-of-the-art cryogenic storage for over 25 years. The same embryologists who created your embryos will be the ones maintaining their environment during your storage with us at CryoVault. We are proud to provide this continuation of service for you. Our cryogenic storage and maintenance expertise assures you that your oocyte and embryo storage is safe with us.

What is the fee for Cryopreservation?

The fee for cryopreservation (freezing) of your oocytes or embryos is \$1,200 per cycle. Your storage fee is waived for the first year. After that initial year, your account is subject to an annual storage fee due on your anniversary date. Currently, the annual storage fee is \$720 (\$780 for infectious) and is subject to change. You will receive an invoice 30 days prior to your anniversary date.

What if I want to discontinue storage?

Should you ever decide to discontinue storage, we will provide you with a consent form that, when signed and notarized, will give us permission to stop your storage. We are unable to discontinue your storage without a current completed consent form signed by both partners. Please contact our team to discuss your options and to obtain the proper consent form.

Please remember to notify us promptly if any of your contact information changes including cell or home phone numbers and any email addresses.

Should you have any lab related questions, please feel free to contact our Lab Support Team at 847-433-9050, option 2.

Should you have any billing related questions, please free to contact our Billing Department at 847-433-9050, option 1, or billing@aparentivf.com.