



CANBERRA FERTILITY CENTRE

EXPLANATION OF FEES

RECIPIENT OF DONOR EMBRYOS

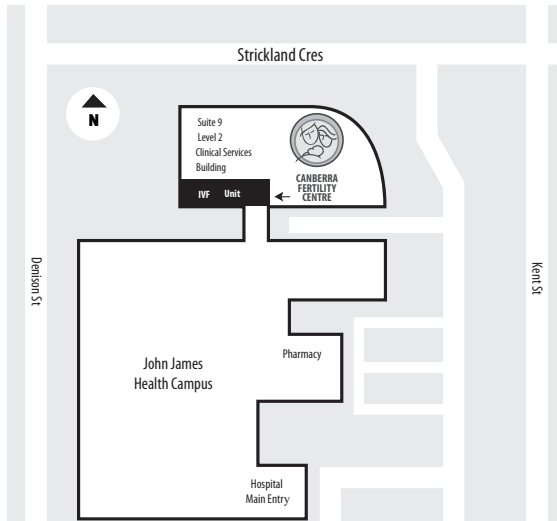


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Explanation of Fees Recipient of Donor Embryos

Introduction

Despite Medicare funding, all Assisted Reproductive Technology Services such as Frozen Embryo Transfers (FET) still incur out-of-pocket and/or gap expenses. As the recipient of donated embryos you are responsible for counselling and blood screening test expenses incurred by the donor. This handout has been designed to explain the sources of the expenses associated with the acceptance of donor embryos.

Donor Embryo procedure fees are separated into three stages:

> Stage 1: Preparation and approval

Fees involved in the preparation and approval of both donor and recipient to commence an embryo transfer procedure. **These fees are NOT claimable from Medicare.**

> Stage 2: Embryo transfer procedure

Fees involved in the subsequent transfer of embryos.

> Stage 3: Embryo storage

Fees involved in the continuing storage of embryos.

Stage 1: Preparation and approval

The preparation and approval process for both donors and recipients involves assessment by the Canberra Fertility Centre specialist doctor, counselling, screening tests (including fertility health/infectious disease/relevant genetic disorder screening tests) and informed consent.

The recipient is responsible for any out-of-pocket costs associated with the preparation and approval process for themselves and their donor. The specialist doctor will bill separately for their consultation fee. Please telephone their office to confirm the relevant fees and Medicare rebate entitlement. The estimated total out-of-pocket cost for the Stage 1 preparation and approval process to be paid to the Canberra Fertility Centre is **\$4,290.00**.

Table 1*

Stage 1 Fees: Recipient of Donor Embryos		
DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$) GST Inclusive	
	Known	<i>Anonymous</i>
Management of Recipients of Donor Embryos	1,320.00	<i>1,320.00</i>
Sub Total	1,320.00	<i>1,320.00</i>
Management of Embryo Donor	1,320.00	<i>1,320.00</i>
¹ Health Testing (Female & Male)	1,650.00	<i>1,650.00</i>
Sub Total	2,970.00	<i>2,970.00</i>
TOTAL	4,290.00	<i>4,290.00</i>

¹ Minimum screening tests.

*NB: None of the fees in Table 1 are claimable from Medicare.

Waiting Lists

Unfortunately there is often a waiting list for donor embryos. To be on the waiting list recipients need to complete the Stage 1 preparation and approval process. The cost involved is **\$1,320.00** (see Table 1).

Doctor Referrals

To receive the Medicare component of your invoice, you must have a current referral to your Specialist from your general Practitioner (GP) valid for 12 months or other Specialist valid for 3 months. Please ensure your referral does not expire during your cycle. **If your referral is out of date** at the commencement of your cycle **you will not be eligible** for any Medicare funding. It is your responsibility to maintain a current referral.

Stage 2: Embryo Transfer Procedure

A Prepayment of **\$1,334.20** must be paid *in full* and all consent forms signed and witnessed before commencing treatment. Please pay this amount to the Canberra Fertility Centre before Day 1 of your procedure (the Nurse Coordinator will clarify this Day 1). Table 2 outlines the prepayment required.

Table 2

Frozen Embryo Transfer Procedure				
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)	MEDICARE	GAP EXPENSE (\$) ¹
13218	FET Procedure	1,777.35	680.90	1,096.45
13209	Planning & Management	200.00	68.00	132.00
13215	Embryo Transfer	195.00	89.25	105.75
TOTAL		2,172.35	838.15	1,334.20

¹ The gap expense may be subject to further Medicare safety net rebates. The Safety Net rebate will range from \$125.00 to \$705.00.

Payment of Accounts for Embryo Transfer

You will receive an account from the Canberra Fertility Centre that includes the services provided by your gynaecologist at the Canberra Fertility Centre during your treatment. The prepayment amount for this account will have been deducted, and the balance owing will be shown. Please forward the account with the accompanying Medicare claim form to Medicare Assessing and Benefits GPO Box 9822 Sydney NSW 2001. The Medicare rebate cheque will be sent to you, which you can then forward to our clinic **plus** any outstanding amount, to the address below. Medicare will notify you in writing regarding your safety net rebate and forward you a refund, if eligible, once they receive confirmation of payment of all accounts (usually a receipt of payment).

Canberra Fertility Centre (Accounts)

PO Box 228

CURTIN ACT 2605

Email: admin@cfc.net.au

Telephone: 02 6282 5458

Facsimile: 02 6281 2087

Cancellation of Treatment

If the FET procedure needs to be cancelled for any reason prior to transfer then the prepayment remains intact and you can use this in future treatments or request a refund (proof of identity required). Canberra Fertility Centre will bulk bill Medicare for this cancelled cycle. Stage 1 Fees are non-refundable.

Table 3**Contribution by Canberra Fertility Centre to the cost of Outside provider services for global item number procedures.**

DESCRIPTION	Medicare ITEM NO.	CANBERRA FERTILITY CENTRE CONTRIBUTION (\$)
Follicle Watch Ultrasound	55733	29.75
Blood test of one hormone level	66695	26.10
Blood test of two hormone levels	66698	37.40
Blood test of three hormone levels	66701	48.75
Blood test of four hormone levels	66704	60.05
Blood test of five hormone levels	66707	71.35
Blood test for Pregnancy hormone	73529	24.55
PEI – Patient episode initiation	73907	Will vary depending on cycle billing type.

Stage 3: Continuing Embryo Storage

Once you have completed your embryo selection and signed the relevant consents, you will be responsible for the continuing storage costs of your embryos. There will be an annual fee of \$250.00 for continued storage, for which you will receive an account. Please forward this payment which is due within 30 days, to the postal address as shown on page 3 or pay by credit card over the phone.

Disclaimer

The fees listed in this booklet are correct at 1 January 2010 and are subject to change without notice. However, we will discuss fees with prospective patients before commencing any procedures.





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PROGESTERONE PESSARIES
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List of fee brochures

CANBERRA FERTILITY CENTRE EXPLANATION OF FEES
EXPLANATION OF FEES IVF AND FET FOR SURROGACY PROCEDURES
EXPLANATION OF FEES RECIPIENT OF DONOR EMBRYOS
EXPLANATION OF FEES (DONOR OOCYTE PROCEDURES) RECIPIENT OF DONOR OOCYTES
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List of information books

CANBERRA FERTILITY CENTRE INFORMATION BOOKLET
CLINIC PROCEDURES BOOKLET
SEMEN DONOR INFORMATION BOOKLET
SURROGACY INFORMATION BOOKLET

Websites

The following websites contain helpful information:

www.nhmrc.gov.au – Ethical Guidelines

[Parentage Act 2004 – Legal Issues](#)

www.dcsq.org.au

www.xyandme.com

www.dcnetwork.org

These three have DVDs and books for adults and children.

