



CANBERRA FERTILITY CENTRE

NON MEDICARE FEES

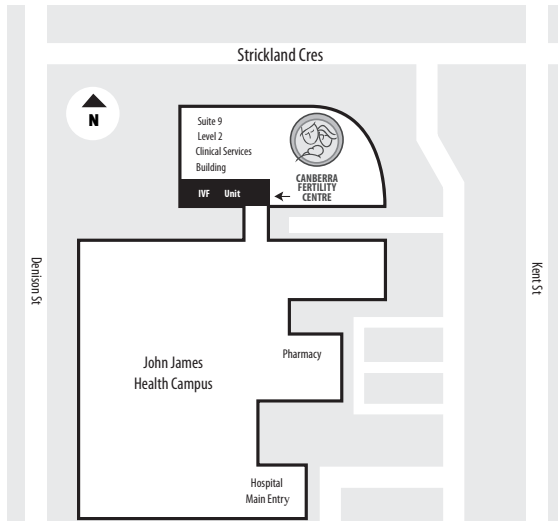


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Section 1

> Tracking

> Ovulation Induction

> Early Pregnancy Monitoring

Blood Hormone Monitoring Tests

Blood testing performed by the Canberra Fertility Centre for the above cycles is charged at the Medicare bulk-billing rate. However, as you are not eligible for the Medicare rebate, you are required to pay for any tests on attendance. You may be eligible for rebate from your Private Health Insurance Fund. Please clarify this with your fund. See table below for fees.

Follicle Watch Ultrasounds

An account will be sent by your specialist doctor for any follicle watch ultrasound tests performed by the Canberra Fertility Centre. This account needs to be paid to your specialist. You may be eligible for rebate from your Private Health Insurance Fund. Please clarify this with your fund. See table below for fees.

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

Pregnancy Ultrasounds

Pregnancy ultrasounds (7–8 weeks) are performed at the Canberra Fertility Centre. The fee is \$80.00.

Medications

If medications are needed for the above cycles your doctor will provide instructions and a prescription to be filled at a pharmacy. Progesterone pessaries (200mg each) and Crinone 8% (90mg) may be purchased from the Canberra Fertility Centre with written authorization from your doctor. Please contact the Canberra Fertility Centre for pricing of these two medications.

Section 2

- > Insemination – AIH (partner insemination)
- > Insemination – AID (donor insemination)
- > IVF (In Vitro Fertilization)
- > IVF/ICSI (Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection)
- > FET (Frozen Embryo Transfer)
- > Thawed Oocyte Transfer Procedure

Introduction

This handout has been designed to explain the expected costs of an IVF treatment when there is no Medicare funding available. You will need to contact Medicare, Medibank Private or your private health fund as it is your responsibility to ascertain what benefits you are eligible for. This handout assumes non-eligibility for any benefits and accounts are rendered on a full account basis. An individual patient's account is dependent upon the actual treatment received and whether any complications arise during treatment.

Complex treatments such as these involve the services of many different health professionals. These professionals will bill separately for their respective services so you will receive accounts from the following sources:

- a) Your Gynaecologist/ Canberra Fertility Centre
- b) Your Anaesthetist
- c) CAPS Clinic

The exact nature of the account will depend on the procedure undertaken, the amount of medications used and the length of stay in hospital.

Pre-Payment

A pre-payment system operates whereby the basic out-of-pocket cost of the procedure/cycle is paid before treatment commences. **Please pay the amount indicated in Table 1 to the Canberra Fertility Centre before your cycle starts.** All medications must be paid for on collection/administration. Your specialist doctor or Nurse Coordinator can provide an estimate of how much medication may be required.

Please refer to the section on Cancelled Procedures for details when the treatment is cancelled.

Table 1

PROCEDURE TYPE – PREPAYMENT REQUIRED	
AIH/AID Stimulated	\$1,673.00
AIH/AID Unstimulated	\$1,099.00
Donor Semen	Variable
IVF	\$6,063.25
IVF using ICSI	\$6,585.75
IVF using ICSI and PESA	\$7,185.75
FET	\$2,172.35
Thawed Oocyte Cycle	\$2,694.85

Fees from Gynaecologist/Canberra Fertility Centre

Tables 2,3 and 4 detail the **expected** costs from your gynaecologist/Canberra Fertility Centre and the Medicare item numbers used in the accounts process. Please be aware that your account may differ depending on the extent of extra services used as outlined in Table 5.

Table 2

Insemination Procedures using FSH Injections (Gonal F/Puregon)		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13203	Insemination procedure	1,353.00
13209	Planning & Management	200.00
13221	Semen preparation	120.00
TOTAL		1,673.00

Table 3

Insemination Procedures (Unstimulated)		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13203	Insemination procedure	799.00
13209	Planning & Management	200.00
13221	Semen preparation	120.00
TOTAL		1,099.00

Table 4

IVF/ICSI Procedures		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13200 ¹	IVF procedure	5,333.25
13209	Planning & Management	200.00
13212 ²	Oocyte retrieval	335.00
13215	Embryo transfer	195.00
13251	ICSI (If required)	522.50
TOTAL IVF		6,063.25
TOTAL IVF/ICSI		6,585.75
TOTAL IVF/ICSI/PESA		7,185.75

¹ Included is provision for Synarel and Lucrin to oocyte retrieval and progesterone pessaries or Crinone to 12 days post oocyte retrieval (Day +12).

² This item can be claimed from your private health fund.

Table 5

Frozen Embryo Transfer Procedures		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13218	FET procedure	1,777.35
13209	Planning & Management	200.00
13215	Embryo Transfer	195.00
TOTAL		2,172.35

Table 6

Thawed Oocyte Transfer Procedure		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13218	FET procedure	1,777.35
13209	Planning & Management	200.00
13215	Embryo Transfer	195.00
13251	ICSI	522.50
TOTAL		2,694.85

Payment of Accounts

You will receive a statement from the Canberra Fertility Centre that includes the services provided by your gynaecologist during your treatment. The pre-payment amount will have been deducted, and any balance owing will be shown. This account is due within 30 days. If eligible for Private Health Fund rebate please submit this account to your Private Health Fund. Any outstanding amount, if any will then need to be paid to the Canberra Fertility Centre to finalise your account.

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Other Expenses

Refer to Table 7 for details of costs.

a) **Lucrin/Synarel/Cetrotide/Orgalutran/Progesterone Pessaries/Crinone**

These drugs are often required for IVF and other treatments. Synarel/Lucrin/Progesterone pessaries and Crinone are included as part of cycle cost where indicated. Cetrotide and Orgalutran must be paid for when collecting the medication. See Table 7 for prices.

b) **Puregon/Gonal F/hCG injections**

These drugs are often required for AIH/AID/IVF and other treatments and must be paid for when collecting the medication. See Table 7 for prices.

c) **Embryo freezing**

If you obtain extra embryos and you have elected to have them stored the fee is \$750.00. This includes the cost of initial freezing and ongoing storage for 12 months. If you wish to continue storage thereafter, there will be an annual fee of \$250.00 for which you will receive and account. This is also outlined in the "Cryopreservation and Storage of Embryos" consent form. This initial storage fee will be included in Item 13200 in the final account. Payment of this fee at the time of embryo transfer is recommended.

d) **ICSI (Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection)**

If ICSI technique is to be used the fee associated is \$522.20. This fee forms part of the prepayment for the procedure. This fee is refunded if the technique is not used.

e) **Blastocyst Culture**

If blastocyst culture is to be used the fee is included under item 13200 and a separate fee does not apply.

f) **Donor semen**

If donor semen is needed in your treatment the cost per straw will vary depending on where it has been sourced (i.e. overseas or locally). The cost of one donor semen straw is to be paid in upon reservation of that straw. If this straw is held for more than 12 months an annual storage fee of \$250.00 will apply.

g) **Assisted Hatching**

There is no extra charge for Assisted Hatching.

h) Semen freezing

If your partner is going to be unavailable during the treatment or he needs to store semen for other reasons (illness) then the cost of freezing and storage of a sperm sample is \$750.00. This includes the cost of initial freezing and ongoing storage for 12 months. If you wish to continue storage thereafter, there will be an annual fee of \$250.00 for which you will receive an account. This is also outlined in the "Cryopreservation and Storage of Semen" consent form. Payment for this service is required at the time the sample is provided.

i) MESA/TESE Collection

If a surgical method is required for collection of a sperm sample at the time of oocyte retrieval then an extra fee of \$100.00 will apply. This does not include the medical or hospital fees that may apply for this procedure. Please contact your Urologist for full details. If semen is to be stored, then the freezing and storage charges outlined in h) above, will apply. An invoice will be issued for this service.

j) PESA Collection

If a fine needle aspiration is required for collection of a sperm sample at the time of oocyte retrieval, then a fee of \$600.00 will apply. This procedure is carried out at the Canberra Fertility Centre and an invoice will be issued.

If this procedure is carried out at another facility then a fee of \$100.00 will apply for our attendance. This does not include the medical or hospital fees that may apply for this procedure. Please contact your urologist/surgeon for full details.

If semen is to be stored, then the freezing and storage charges will apply (see h above). This fee is paid at the time of freezing.

Table 7

Extra Costs		
ITEM DESCRIPTION	COST (\$)	WHEN PAID
Cetrotide 3mg ampoule	545.00	At collection of medication
Cetrotide 250µg ampoule	79.00	At collection of medication
Orgalutran 250µg dose	77.00	At collection of medication
Progesterone pessary	75.00	At collection of medication
200mg x 15 (1 Jar)	85.00	At collection of medication
Crinone 8% (each)	12.50	At collection of medication
Synarel	135.00	At collection of medication
Lucrin	225.00	At collection of medication
Puregon Cartridge 300IU	200.00	At collection of medication
Puregon Cartridge 600IU	400.00	At collection of medication
Gonal F Pen 300IU	210.00	At collection of medication
Gonal F Pen 450IU	315.00	At collection of medication
Gonal F Pen 900IU	630.00	At collection of medication
Pregnyl hCG 5000 IU injection	44.00	At collection of medication
Ovidrel 250µg	75.00	At collection of medication
ICSI	522.50	Paid as part of Prepayment
Embryo freezing {See c) above}	750.00	Included in Item 13200 on the final statement
Donor semen (per straw)	Variable	Paid at the time of selection.
Semen freezing {See h) above}	750.00	At time of collection of sample
MESA/TESE collection	100.00	Invoice issued
PESA	600.00	Invoice issued

Anaesthetist

Anaesthetic services are necessary for IVF and ICSI procedures and may be used in other procedures. The fees charged range from \$200–\$600 plus. Please speak to the nurse coordinator to find out who your anaesthetist is likely to be. If you have private health cover you may be eligible for a rebate. Contact your fund to clarify your position.

Caps Clinic

IVF, and ICSI oocyte (egg) collection procedures, performed at the Caps Clinic will incur a fee. This fee will vary depending on whether you, the patient, have no insurance or private health insurance. For those patients who have no insurance, the out-of-pocket cost to be paid on the day of the procedure is \$1,100.00 plus the cost of the anaesthetist (as above).

For those patients who have private health insurance, the Caps Clinic will inform you on the day of the procedure what your payment will be. It will vary depending on your health fund and level of cover. We have been advised the amount will be between \$320.00 and \$380.00.

Please contact the Caps Clinic (02 6282 1155) or your health fund for further information.

Cancelled Procedures

You will receive an account for cancelled Insemination AIH, AID, IVF, and FET procedures. You will receive an itemised account showing the fee for the cancelled cycle, the cost of any medication used, and the prepayment credited towards this account. If there is a remaining credit balance this can be held over for future treatments or you may request a refund (proof of identity required). If there is an outstanding amount on the account this is due within 30 days and needs to be paid to the Canberra fertility Centre. (Refer to Tables 7, 8 9 and 10 for relevant cancelled fees).

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Table 8

Cancelled Insemination Procedures³		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13203	Insemination procedure	460.00
13209	Planning & Management	80.00
TOTAL		540.00

³ If the insemination procedure is not carried out the cycle is referred to as “cancelled”.

Table 9

Cancelled FET Procedures⁴		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13209	Planning & Management	80.00
13218	FET Procedure	750.00
TOTAL		830.00

⁴ An FET treatment cycle is considered to be cancelled if an embryo transfer does not take place.

Table 10

Cancelled IVF/ICSI⁵		
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FEE (\$)
13202	IVF procedure	440.00
13209	Planning & Management	80.00
TOTAL		520.00

⁵ An IVF/ICSI cycle is considered cancelled if an oocyte retrieval does not take place.

Section 3

Testing performed outside Canberra Fertility Centre

In some instances blood tests and/or ultrasound scans need to be performed by outside providers. This will most likely be the case if you live outside the ACT/surrounding NSW. Outside service providers often charge higher prices than those charged by the Canberra Fertility Centre. If you are having ovulation tracking or other procedures not involving a global item number then you are responsible for the full charge. If your procedure is covered by a global item number (IVF/FET/Insemination) then the Canberra Fertility Centre will pay a proportion of the fee and you are responsible for any balance. The proportion paid by the Canberra Fertility Centre is the equivalent cost a patient would have incurred by having such tests performed at the Canberra Fertility Centre. The contribution made by the Canberra Fertility Centre is shown in Table 9.

Table 11

Contribution by Canberra Fertility Centre to the cost of outside provider services for global item number procedures.

Medicare Item No.	DESCRIPTION	CFC CONTRIBUTION (\$)
55733	Follicle Watch Ultrasound	29.75
66695	Blood test of one hormone level	26.10
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PRIVATE SPERM STORAGE
PROGESTERONE PESSARIES
SEMEN COLLECTION FOR ANALYSIS, ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION (AI) AND IV F
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SURGICAL SPERM COLLECTION (SSC)
SURROGACY INFORMATION
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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.

