

# FUNDED IUI PATIENT EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL

The Province intends to help more people build their family by increasing access to fertility services related to assisted reproduction technology (ART). In order to increase access to the ART service of intra-uterine insemination (IUI), the Province is contributing to the cost of IUI services in order to improve affordability. People will continue to pay the cost of the associated drugs, as well as other unfunded ancillary services delivered in support of IUI, including sperm washing and preparation, the purchasing of donor sperm, and genetic testing.

## FAQ

### 1. Who is eligible for this program and are there any restrictions?

This program is open to all Ontario residents with a valid Ontario health card. There is no limit to the number of funded IUI cycles that a patient is able to receive over their lifetime. However, only one insemination within a cycle is funded. Anova Fertility is no longer able to offer two inseminations, two days in a row, as part of this program.

### 2. What services are covered by this Program? What fees am I still responsible for?

<b>SERVICES COVERED BY THE FUNDING PROGRAM</b>	<b>NOT COVERED BY THE PROGRAM (PAID FOR BY THE PATIENT TO THE CLINIC)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical assessments during the Cycle including cycle monitoring visits</li> <li>• Blood and ultrasound tests during the Cycle</li> <li>• Intrauterine insemination procedure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medications</li> <li>• Sperm washing and preparation</li> <li>• Purchasing donor sperm</li> <li>• Storage of sperm</li> <li>• Shipping of sperm from one Clinic to another</li> <li>• Genetic Testing (PGS or PGD)</li> <li>• Implications Counselling required if Patient is using the services of a known sperm donor</li> <li>• Legal agreements related to the Patients use of a known sperm donor</li> </ul>

**4. How do I participate in this program?**

If you are currently a patient (seen at our Clinic within the last 12 months), please contact your Specialist's office to discuss with the nurse your cycle start. Prior to your cycle start, you are required to sign a written consent in order to participate in this program. This consent allows Anova Fertility to disclose the patient's Ontario health card number to the Province for the purposes of the Program. This consent also permits the Province to use the patient's Personal Health Information related to fertility services provided to the patient during the term of the Agreement that is collected under the Health Insurance Act (OHIP claims information) for the purposes of ensuring the Recipient's compliance with the Program.

If you are not currently a patient, please contact your Physician for a referral to Anova Fertility.

**5. Is there a wait list for having an IUI cycle at Anova Fertility?**

No, if you are currently a patient at Anova Fertility, there is no wait to start your cycle. If you are not currently a patient of Anova Fertility, then there may be a wait to receive your first Consultation appointment with one of our Specialists to be evaluated.

**5. I have already paid for an IUI cycle, may I be reimbursed by this Program for previous completed cycles?**

No, funding under the Program is not available for IUI-related services for which patients have previously paid.

**6. I am not eligible for this Program but I still want to access IUI services. Can I still access these services at Anova Fertility?**

Yes, patients of Anova Fertility who do not meet the Patient Eligibility criteria of the Ministry but still want to have access to IUI Services can do so by paying for all services related to IUIs as the services have been de-listed from the OHIP fee schedule. Please indicate to the staff if this is your situation so they may be able to give you the appropriate information needed for you to proceed with treatment.

**7. More questions? Please call us at tel: 416-225-4440 and ask to speak with a Nurse.**