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Fertility Preservation for Cancer Patients

Cancer treatments can affect the patient's reproductive abilities, causing infertility.

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Cancer patients can preserve their reproductive abilities by preserving their embryos, eggs, or sperm before cancer treatments.

Why should female cancer patients consider egg freezing or embryo freezing?

Egg freezing and embryo freezing are the commonly adopted ways to preserve reproductive abilities. (PS: Embryo freezing is allowed for married couples only according to the laws of Hong Kong.)

When is the best time for egg freezing?

Usually at least two weeks before cancer surgery, radiotherapy or chemotherapy. Actual timing can be affected by type and location of the cancer, and the exact treatment planned. Your reproductive medicine specialist and oncologist will make a joint decision on timing.

How long can the frozen eggs and sperm be stored?

Due to medical reasons, cancer patients are allowed to store their eggs and sperm for a maximum of 10 years or until they reach the age of 55, whichever is later. Frozen embryos have a maximum storage time of 10 years.

What is the procedure for reproducing after the patient recovers?

Thawed frozen sperm / eggs will be fertilised in the laboratory through IVF by intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) (only available to legally married couples), to make embryos. A suitable embryo will then be selected for transfer into the uterus.

Terms and conditions

- 1. All treatment items of the package have to be within the same cycle.
- 2. Surcharges apply for consultation or egg collection surgery on public holidays or non-office hours.
- 3. The package price is for reference only. HEAL Fertility reserves all right to revise the package content and the price. Please contact our clinic staff if there are any inquiries.
- 4. In case of disputes, HEAL Fertility reserves the right of the final decision.

Egg Freezing Package for Female Cancer Patients : **HK\$80,000**

Cancer patients can start egg stimulation anytime during the menstrual cycle. The fertility preservation treatment involves blood taking, ultrasound checkup to monitor egg follicles development. The process takes around two weeks. Retrieved eggs will be vitrified and frozen for future use.

Package includes :

- Doctor consultation, ultrasound, and blood tests for hormonal level test during egg stimulation cycle (unlimited)
- 2. Basic stimulation medications during the cycle
- 3. Egg collection surgery
 - Surgeon fee (unlimited egg quantity)
 - · Anaesthesia and anaesthesiologist fees
 - · Laboratory fee
- Laboratory fee for egg freezing (unlimited storage straws)

Package excludes :

- 1. Doctor consultation, fertility consultation and body check before the stimulation cycle
- 2. Egg freezing storage fee
- 3. Other nutritional supplements and medicines

Add-ons :

- 1. Egg storage fee: HK\$1,000 per month HK\$10,000 per year
- 2. Upgrade to a 10-year storage duration for HK\$60,000 (starts with the first date of egg freezing)

Remarks :

- First instalment of the package fee, i.e. \$38,000, has to be paid on or before the cycle commenced. The rest of the payment, i.e. \$42,000, has to be paid before egg collection surgery.
- 2. All fees are not refundable in all circumstances, including self-withdrawal or cancellation of the treatment.

Pre-Egg Freezing Assessment Ultrasound and blood tests for ovarian function. Cycles can be started anytime during the menstrual cycle. There is no need to wait for period. Injections are started to stimulate follicles in the

ovaries to grow. Treatment Tracking

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During injection of medications to stimulate the ovaries (around 10-14 days), blood tests and ultrasound will be performed every few days to monitor egg follicle development. Egg collection will be determined by egg follicle status.

"Trigger" Shot

Given 36 hours prior to egg collection surgery.

Egg Collection Surgery and Egg Freezing

Egg collection surgery is performed under monitored anaesthesia. The surgery takes around 30 minutes. Patients can normally be discharged after 2-3 hours of rest.

Egg freezing treatment

Injection of ovarian stimulation drugs

Medical follow-up/blood taking/ultrasound

Sperm Freezing Package for Male Cancer Patients :

Sperm collection will be arranged after doctor consultation before cancer surgery, chemotherapy, and radiotherapy. Multiple sperm collections are possible if time allows. Semen analysis is also performed after sperm collection to evaluate the sperm quality. This step can ensure the sperm can be used for IVF or IUI (for married couples) after cancer treatment.

Fees (in HK\$):

Doctor consultation fee: **\$2,500** Semen analysis: **\$800** Freezing fee: \$4,000 per semen sample Storage fee: \$10,000 per year