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Egg Donation Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Will I run out of eggs if I give them to someone else?

No. It is a little known fact that a woman goes through a thousand eggs each month to select a single one that is ovulated. The eggs that don't complete the development process normally dissolve and are absorbed by the body. Fertility drugs simply preserve a portion of these excess eggs, which the body ordinarily discards. No extra eggs are used up in the process.

Can I accidentally get pregnant as a result of the egg donation?

Accidental pregnancies are unlikely. We have not had an accidental pregnancy in our experience. Although fertility drugs stimulate the production of your eggs, there is a period around the time of the egg harvest that you could become pregnant. We will know exactly when this "critical interval" is and advise you to avoid intercourse during this time.

What are the legal responsibilities of egg donor and patients?

The law is extremely clear on this matter. Children as a result of the egg donation process legally belong to the couple receiving the donated embryos. Egg donors have absolutely no responsibility for the future welfare or support of these children.

Compensation

Compensation is intended to provide reimbursement for the time and inconvenience involved with taking fertility medications, coming to the clinic for tests, and for undergoing the egg harvest.