

REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE OR TRANSFER OF CRYOPRESERVED SPECIMENS

1. Contact Fertility Center Embryology Laboratory to discuss arrangements. Phone: (502) 271-5846.
2. Patient is responsible for making arrangements for a liquid nitrogen shipper to transport specimens to or from the Fertility Center. Information is available regarding companies that will lease liquid nitrogen shippers.
3. An Acknowledgement & Release form needs to be completed and signed by both partners and the signatures need to be witnessed by the Fertility Center or a Notary before shipping.
4. A storage consent and agreement needs to be completed and returned to the Fertility Center before a sample can be received from another facility.
5. Patient is responsible for contacting and making arrangements with the other Embryology Laboratory involved in the transfer or receipt of cryopreserved specimens. Patient is responsible for notifying the Fertility Center embryology staff when to expect the liquid nitrogen shipper from the shipping facility.
6. The Embryology laboratory shipping the cryopreserved specimens needs to provide the appropriate freezing and thawing protocols.
7. **If the samples were frozen after May 25, 2005, written evidence of FDA donor eligibility determination needs to be provided by the shipping laboratory. A copy of patient's signed release/consent form should also be provided. We will provide copies of patient(s) infectious disease testing results (for specimens leaving our facility) at the time of cryopreservation.**
8. **HIV I and II as well as Hepatitis B Antigen(HBV) and Hepatitis C Antibody** test results at the time the gametes/ embryos were produced or current test results **must be negative** or we cannot store the embryos at our facility more than temporarily.
9. An annual storage fee of \$300.00, prorated the first year, based on the billing cycle, and \$300.00 per year thereafter is payable prior to transfer of the gametes or embryos to the Fertility Center.