

Donor Egg Cycle

A woman's fertility is entirely dependent on her egg supply. Women are born with all the eggs they will ever have. Because we are unable to help grow new eggs, any condition that depletes the egg supply creates a fertility problem that is untreatable with most modern fertility therapies. Despite the success of in vitro fertilization (IVF) as a treatment for a wide variety of fertility problems, it remains ineffective when infertility is a result of "egg problems." These problems with the eggs (oocytes) occur frequently from aging but may be due to other factors such as chemotherapy or radiation for cancer or surgical removal of the ovaries. University Women's Care Fertility Services offers hope in the form of Donor Egg Therapy—a specialized process involving in vitro fertilization of oocytes donated by a third party. When successful, the process allows a woman to experience a completely normal pregnancy and delivery, despite difficulties with her own eggs.

IVF meets oocyte donation. Since 1978, in vitro fertilization has facilitated thousands of successful births worldwide. Typically, the procedure utilizes a woman's own eggs—obtained surgically and fertilized in the laboratory using her husband's sperm. Donor Egg Therapy substitutes eggs provided by a donor to produce embryos that will be placed inside the recipient's uterus to allow for a normal pregnancy and delivery. Oocytes may be donated by a relative or friend or obtained from an anonymous donor. In either case, both donor and recipient are carefully screened to ensure the greatest possibility of a successful result.

Experience the gift of having a child. For many women, Donor Egg Therapy is their only chance of carrying a pregnancy, and we are proud to offer one of the most comprehensive programs in the South. From thorough donor screening procedures and expert recipient counseling to the latest equipment and technology for in vitro procedures, our dedicated team is ready to help you experience the gift of a child. If you think Donor Egg Therapy might be an option for you—or if you would like more information or to consult with a physician, please contact us. We will be happy to answer your questions.

The following information is an approximation of Donor Egg Cycle charges effective January 2016. *(Fees are subject to change without notice.)*

Consultation and Coordination for Donor/Recipient	\$1,000.00
Monitoring for Donor (Ultrasounds and Lab work)	\$1,500.00
Donor Egg Retrieval and IVF Lab Charges	\$6,500.00
Medications (Donor)	\$4,000.00
Compensation (Donor)	\$3,500.00
Embryo transfer and frozen embryo transfer as needed to achieve a successful pregnancy, up to a total of 4 transfers	\$4,250.00
Screening Labs (Donor)	\$500.00
Donor Insurance and Administrative Fees	\$1,250.00
Total Fee for Recipient Couple in a Donor Egg Cycle	\$22,500.00

Cryo Fees: The initial fee for IVF lab procedures includes cryo-preserving (freezing) any unused embryos. This fee includes storage for one year. After one year, embryos will be transferred to an off-site facility for long-term storage.

Pre-cycle Screening: Prior to initiating treatments, you will be screened for problems that may impact your chances for success as a recipient. This screening includes bloodwork and an in-office hysteroscopy procedure. Payments for these tests are not part of the prepayment. These procedures will be paid for on the date that services are rendered, or you may pay the co-pay or co-insurance amount on the day of the visit, based on your insurance plan and coverage.