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Welcome to IVFAustralia



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YOUR FERTILITY FAMILY

Doing what's right for you

Choosing a fertility clinic and your specialist is a big decision. It's important to find the one that's the best fit for you, and to ensure that you're cared for in an environment which is both supportive and compassionate. We understand that you will want to choose a specialist with whom you're comfortable, who connects with your personal situation, and who is going to maximise your chance of taking home a healthy baby.

Why consider us?

At IVFAustralia, we have a team of over 30 leading fertility specialists located across Sydney, Wollongong, the Central Coast, Newcastle and Canberra. Our collaborative team includes some of the country's IVF pioneers, and a number of practising medical Professors.

As a member of Virtus Health*, we have been responsible for creating more babies than any other fertility group in Australia.

We are ready to take care of you every step of the way, from initial assessment, diagnosis and fertility treatment to counselling support, for those times when you need an extra shoulder to lean on.

Remember that most patients who come to us for assistance do not need IVF. For the majority of our patients, careful assessment and correction of any problems, either by surgery or simple fertility drugs is all that is required.

How successful is IVF?

Our website has a full breakdown of our IVF success rates by age group, as well as a detailed explanation of how to interpret success rates if you are making comparisons between different clinics. It is, however, important that you understand your own personal chance of success. Age is the biggest factor affecting your individual chance of success but your current health, medical history and any past pregnancies will also affect your individual likelihood of falling pregnant.

An experienced fertility specialist is best placed to make this assessment and give you an individualised estimate of your likely success rates, both of conceiving naturally and through IVF.

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Clinic locations and appointments

Our integrated network of clinics means we can offer you a widespread choice of clinic locations, meaning that you can have consultations, ultrasounds and blood tests at the site that is most convenient for you throughout your treatment. This gives you the flexibility to have your consultations close to home with monitoring close to work or vice versa.

Many of our clinics are open from 7am, six days a week for monitoring. Because we operate our own specialist day hospitals, we can also ensure that, if you do need IVF, your egg collection can take place at the best time for you within your treatment cycle.

For new patients, we offer out of hours consultations with our fertility specialists, including Saturday mornings.

In-house laboratories

We have multiple embryology and andrology facilities, as well as an in-house pathology department. This not only means that we have greater control over our laboratory environments, it reduces the risks associated with transporting fragile eggs and sperm. It also removes the need for our patients to travel between facilities and enables us to provide your test results faster.

Accessing advanced reproductive technology

We operate at the forefront of scientific research, which means you'll have access to a wide range of advanced reproductive technologies. We invest significantly in research and development with a particular focus on identification of the healthiest egg, sperm and embryo to maximise your chance of conceiving.

Some of the approaches we use include:

Pre-implantation genetic testing

A sophisticated scientific technique which can test embryos for either a specific known genetic condition or a variation in the structure of the genetic material (the chromosomes). This enables genetically healthy embryos to be selected for transfer during an IVF cycle, maximising the chance of a healthy baby. The aim of this technique is to promote selection of an embryo which is more likely to implant and create a pregnancy. There are pros and cons to this approach and your specialist can guide you in whether or not this technique will assist you.

Embryoscope

An innovative technology where the embryo is kept inside a single incubator throughout the time in the laboratory and the progress of the embryo is followed by time-lapse imaging. This eliminates any change to the delicate environment within which the embryo is developing, and allows our unique artificial intelligence system to analyse the time-lapse images and select the embryo that is most likely to create a pregnancy.

Digital high magnification of sperm

Using high resolution imaging, our scientists can view images of individual sperm cells at over x7000 magnification. This allows us to select the sperm cells with the healthiest DNA for injection into the egg. After a woman's age, male infertility is the single largest factor affecting a couple's chance of conception. This technique can help some men who have very poor sperm quality.

Access to a high standard donor sperm program

We run the biggest donor sperm programme in New South Wales. All of our donors are assessed and screened to the very highest standards of safety. The generosity of our sperm donors means that most of our patients are able to access a sperm donor who is suitable for their needs. As our donors are mainly recruited locally, we can ensure that the safe limit for the number of families created by your donor can be strictly observed.

Treatment costs

Our website provides a detailed schedule estimating out-of-pocket costs for different treatments. As a guide, the following fees may be associated:

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- ◆ Consultations with your fertility specialist (including initial and follow-up)
 - ◆ Any investigations or tests you may require
 - ◆ Fertility treatment, and the medications involved
 - ◆ Access to advanced scientific techniques
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Many fertility treatments attract a rebate from Medicare. The Medicare Safety Net also provides additional rebates for people with large medical expenses. Once you reach the Medicare Safety Net threshold in a calendar year, Medicare will pay an additional rebate on selected items.

IVFAustralia will, normally, provide you with a detailed cost estimate, before you make any decision to embark on any course of advanced fertility treatment.

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Ready to take the next step?

If you are ready to book an initial appointment with a fertility specialist, please call one of our friendly fertility nurses on 1800 111 483 or visit our website, ivf.com.au where you can request an appointment online.

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Leading minds dedicated to your success.

IVFAustralia is part of one of the world's largest networks of fertility specialists, scientists, nurses and counsellors. We have clinics across Australia (New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory), Asia (Singapore) and Europe (England, Ireland and Denmark).

Still, for us every patient is unique. Each couple and individual will come to us with their own story and challenge, and our focus is on giving them the best possible chance to have a healthy baby.

The size of our network as a member of Virtus Health means that we have enormous experience in treating a wide range of conditions and have developed sophisticated medical and scientific protocols based on this experience. Where your problem involves a particularly complex condition, every doctor can tap into our broad network of other experts to provide a second (or more) opinion. It is leveraging our internal 'medical and scientific brains trust' that gives our patients a distinct advantage.



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