

TERMS & TERMINOLOGY:

Term	Meaning (or) Services Included
Stimulation/Cycle Monitoring	Includes – ultrasounds, E2 level(s) – US's performed by the Ultra-sonographer/Tech
Egg Retrieval	Includes – MD, US, Embryology Lab and Anesthesia services
Fertilization/To Fertilize Eggs	2-methods: Standard Insemination and ICSI. Standard Insemination is included with the basic cycle.
ICSI	To inject sperm directly into an egg for fertilization purposes – to achieve embryos. *ICSI is an additional fee.
AZH	Assisted Zona Hatching – create a small opening in the outer surface of the embryo prior to transfer. Assists with implantation. *AZH is an additional fee in most cycle.
TESE	Testicular Sperm Extraction. Embryologist must extract sperm from biopsied tissue to be used to perform ICSI in effort to fertilize eggs.
Embryo Transfer	Includes- MD, US, Lab services to complete the transfer.
Embryo Cryopreservation	Freezing of extra high quality embryos.
Egg Vitrification	Freezing of eggs (oocytes)
FET	Frozen Embryo Transfer – Embryos are Thawed and prepared for an Embryo Transfer
DET	Deferred Embryo Transfer
BLAST E.T.	“Blastocyst” Transfer = Embryos that are at the Day 5 Stage of growth (“blast” stage) – Requires Extended Culture of the embryos in the incubator for days 3 to 5 before performing the Embryo Transfer.
PGS	Pre-Genetic Screening (of Embryos prior to transferring) – Includes 2-Parts: 1. New Hope Embryology to perform a Biopsy of each Embryo to be tested, AND 2. Genetic Lab to test the biopsied tissue sent to them for analysis. Patients pay 2-facilities (NHC and Cooper Genomics).

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“Fresh Stimulation Cycle”	A cycle in which a Fresh Embryo Transfer is planned
“Deferred Stimulation Cycle”	A cycle in which all embryos will be cryopreserved for use during an FET Cycle at a later time.
“Co-IVF Cycle”	Same sex-female couple plan to have 1-partner stimulate to use her eggs, while the other partner will receive the embryo transfer. Also called Reciprocal IVF at some clinics.
“Egg Vit” Cycle	Patient stimulates to have eggs retrieved and frozen. No fertilization of eggs occurs. Only eggs are frozen (not embryos).
“DET Cycle”	Part II of a Deferred Stimulation Cycle. When the embryo(s) are thawed/prepped and then transferred.
“Donated/Donor Embryo Cycle”	Frozen Embryo Transfer using embryos from NHC’s Donor Embryo Program. Embryos have been donated by other patient/couple – and a third-party Recipient is receiving (and using) the embryos to achieve pregnancy.
FULL Donor Egg Cycle	All Eggs retrieved from a Single Egg Donor go to 1 (one) Recipient person/couple
SPLIT Donor Egg Cycle	The Eggs retrieved from a Single Egg Donor are SPLIT between 2 (two) Recipient person(s)/couple(s)
FROZEN Donor Egg Cycle	Donor eggs previously frozen are used by a patient/couple. Patient/couple receive 1 (one) “Lot” of eggs for use. 1 (one) Lot = #5 eggs *ICSI is ALWAYS performed to fertilize eggs that were frozen/thawed for use.