TREATMENT WITH DONOR SPERM

IS HAVING A BABY YOUR GREATEST DREAM?

Infertility is a growing problem. In fact, 15-20% of all couples trying for a baby discover that they have problems with their fertility. Fertility problems can put serious strain on a relationship, and some will experience this situation as a life crisis.

Fortunately, there is help at hand if you contact AAGAARD Skejby Fertilitesklinik. At AAGAARD Skejby Fertilitesklinik we are leading specialists in the field. This means you can be sure that we always offer efficient, state-of-the-art treatment methods and technology.

For 3 out of 4 couples who have been trying for a baby in vain, treatment will result in a baby.

You can order sperm straws from Skejby CryoBank for your IUI or IVF treatment. You can also order additional straws to be stored in case you decide to have a brother or sister for your baby. Our staff will help you decide on the best donor for you.

DONOR SPERM FROM SKEJBY CRYOBANK

Skejby CryoBank delivers sperm of the very highest quality. As the only sperm bank in Denmark, Skejby CryoBank tests all donors for high-risk HPV and the extent of DNA fragmentation. Skejby CryoBank is authorised by the Danish Patient Safety Authority and accredited in accordance the Danish Healthcare Quality Programme.

Buying sperm straws from AAGAARD Skejby CryoBank saves you the cost of delivery and it also reduces the risk of damage during transportation. In addition, you don’t have to pay the handling fee of DKK 250 that is added for handling sperm from a different sperm bank.

You may choose between closed and open donor sperm.

CLOSED DONOR:
It won’t be possible, neither for you nor your children, to get any information on the donor’s identity.

OPEN DONOR:
You don’t know the identity of the donor, but you children will be able to get information on his identity at a later time, usually when they turn 18.

DONOR SPERM FROM FRIEND OR ACQUAINTANCE

If you don’t want to buy sperm from the sperm bank it’s possible to receive treatment with sperm from a friend or acquaintance. You find the person who’s willing to donate sperm for your fertility treatment, and the agreement is exclusively between you and the donor. Danish law requires that donation of sperm is voluntary and unpaid. The donor must choose whether he wants to be a known donor or a dedicated donor.

KNOWN DONOR:
The donor has no legal rights or obligations. The father or the co-mother takes over the legal responsibility to support the child.

DEDICATED DONOR:
A donor used exclusively by you and by law regarded as the father of the child. The child will have the same rights as the donor’s own children. By law, single parents are only allowed to use a dedicated donor or order sperm from a sperm bank.

RISK ASSESSMENT OF DONOR

Donors must be evaluated and risk assessed in accordance with the Danish Tissue Act, which will be performed at the clinic.

The donor will be interviewed by our doctor, who will ask him about his medical history and his family. Likewise, our doctor will ask him about any risk factors that could exclude him from a sperm bank. When using a known/dedicated donor, these factors will be taken into consideration in an overall risk assessment of the donor. In practice, this means that it may be possible to use a known/dedicated donor who has had sex with another man, provided other factors don’t indicate otherwise.

The donor undergoes tests for HIV 1+2, hepatitis B+C, chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis. These tests must be negative for the donor’s sperm to be approved for insemination. As the only sperm bank in Denmark, Skejby CryoBank also tests for high-risk HPV and for the amount of DNA fragmentation. A written risk assessment will be explained to you by our doctor, and you will of course be able to ask any questions you may have, before you sign the risk assessment. All expenses associated with the risk assessment procedure for a known/dedicated donor will be paid by you.

Please see our price list on skejbycryobank.dk

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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT USING DONOR SPERM

Please note that before your treatment can start, some forms relating to paternity or co-maternity from the Danish State Administration must be filled in by you and the treating health professionals. Please visit statsforvaltningen.dk for more information.

In the unlikely event that the child turns out to have an illness at birth or in its first year which may be hereditary, it is important that you report this to Skejby CryoBank. This allows us to evaluate whether the donor should be used in the future. The same applies if you find out that the illness may have been transmitted from donor sperm.

Although all donors undergo an extensive testing and screening process, the donor might still carry an undiscovered hereditary disease. However, this risk is no higher than for the general population.

If it is later discovered that the donor carries a serious condition, you will be contacted if at all possible. If the child is by then 18 or older, he or she will be contacted to the extent it is possible.

YOU HAVE A DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

If you don’t want to disclose the name of the father, you will be called for an interview at the State Administration. Here you’ll be asked to render it probable that your pregnancy was the result of artificial insemination with donor sperm, or to disclose the identity of the donor. If you are single, the donor will always be considered a dedicated donor in the eyes of the law and thus registered as the father of the child.

CONTACT

You are always welcome to get in touch with AAGAARD Skejby Fertilitetsklinik or Skejby CryoBank.

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