

Infertility, Treatments, and Resources

The websites below discuss the many issues surrounding infertility. They refer to the treatment options that are available to couples and those thinking about childrearing. Some of these options include adoption, surrogacy, embryo adoption, going to a sperm bank, and in-vitro fertilization (IVF). They also list an abundant number of physicians, support groups, and contact phone numbers.



<http://www.theafa.org/>

The America Fertility Association is located in New York. The website provides a starting point for couples who are trying to conceive to couples who are infertile. The website provides information on trying to conceive, male infertility, considering treatment, starting treatment, and third party reproduction. The site also provides access to a physician referral list and support groups. There are phone numbers of individuals to contact at AFA if questions are present.

<http://www.mayoclinic.com/health/infertility/DS00310>

The Mayo Clinic provides information on pregnancy and infertility. This website reviews the signs and symptoms, causes, risk factors, when to seek medical advice,

screening and diagnosis, complications, treatment, prevention, and coping skills. All of the information provided generates a general overview of infertility.



<http://www.resolveofohio.org/supportgroups.htm>

This website provides information on how the Resolve support group runs their meetings. This support group provides a safe and understanding environment for individuals who are or have gone through miscarriages, IVF, other treatments, those deciding between treatment and adoption, and those deciding if they should remain child-free. The website also provides city links so that individuals are able to find a support group that is located in an area that is close to them.

<http://www.sharedjourney.com/>

This website addresses many issues surrounding infertility. Some of the topics discussed are: IVF, egg donation, miscarriage, male infertility, adoption options, directories and definitions. A lot of information can be found on this website and it is good because it addresses many different aspects of infertility including other options.



<http://www.ivfconnections.com/>

This website is very helpful for people that are going through IVF. There are a lot of bulletin boards and stories about people's experiences with IVF. There is also a lot of information about the stages of IVF and it may answer a lot of basic questions about the procedures. There are also links to other sites and for purchasing books about the topic. The main purpose of this website is to connect people going through similar situations for support and advice about services.

<http://www.ivf-infertility.com/>

This website is focused on infertility and the procedure itself. It also addresses many of the controversial issues that come up with many couples facing infertility as well as the risks and outcomes of IVF. This is a good website because it covers a lot of information. Not only does it talk about infertility in depth, but it also addresses surrogacy, and adoption options.

<http://www.surrogacy.com/>

This website includes a matching service for egg donors, potential surrogates and potential intended parents. There are also feature articles, an online support group and message board. Also included in this website is a directory of professionals that special in working with IVF and surrogates. This directory helps you not only find doctors in your area, but also legal and psychological services one may need.

<http://www.everythingsurrogacy.com/>

This website is very informative about surrogacy. There are many links to articles and directories for infertility clinics and legal services. There is also a glossary of terms that is very helpful for people that are not familiar with the many medical terms commonly used with IVF and infertility.

<http://www.pinelandpress.com/faq/donor.html>

The fertility plus website provides information sperm banks, donor egg resources, surrogacy, and embryo adoption. The website gives an overview of each of these topics and provides resources that are available in different states and countries. There is an article present referring to the topic of choosing a sperm bank or a sperm donor that might prove to be helpful. Also, there is a list of books that may be insightful to someone who is researching their options, along with a list of organizations that may be helpful if one is not in your area.



<http://www.inciid.org/>

The International Council on Infertility Information Dissemination provides an outlet for couples to explore their family building options. There are sections for couples to seek information about loss and miscarriage. There are many options present underneath the topic infertility. There are recommended readings, information on donor, surrogacy, and third party reproduction. Also, there is information discussing IVF scholarships and programs. If the family is not interested in building a family through these above options there is a link present for adoption that discusses the options, funding, attachment and bonding, support and coping, and parenting after the adoption.

<http://www.ivfohio.com/resources.htm>

This website provides a multiple collection of infertility resources. The website is presented by a doctor out of Youngstown, Ohio named The Reproduction Center: Ohio's premier Reproductive Health Practice. Some of the resources that are listed on this website include Resolve-a national infertility support group, the American Society of Reproductive Medicine-provides knowledge and expertise in infertility, menopause, sexuality, and contraception, and Fertility Journey-which is for couples that are having difficulty conceiving. They provide information and guidance for couples newly diagnosed with infertility.

<http://www.ihr.com/infertility/>

This website covers all options of treatment for infertility both male and female. Topics are present about egg donors, surrogacy, sperm banks, and adoption. This website also provides information on legal issues and services, tubal and vasectomy reversal, and financial options. A glossary of terms is also present and aid individuals when reading literature on infertility and related topics. This website is a great resource with a wealth of information and links to provide even more information.

<http://www.embryoadooption.org/>

This website provides general information about embryo adoption. There is a history written about embryo adoption. Also there are video clips, articles, and brochures to browse. On the website there is a link where one can click on their state to find the resources that they need for this type of treatment. There is also the latest research present as well.



<http://www.comeunity.com/>

This website addresses many things relating to pregnancy, parenting and adoption. This is a very informative website about adoption and a lot of the struggles that parents face when choosing a child to adopt. This website also addresses adopting children with special needs. There are also many links for more information about many different topics relating to adoption and parenting. This is a good website for linking the two topics of adoption and infertility issues.

http://singlemom.com/RESOURCES/Children_Resources/ADOPTION.HTM

This website is focused toward single mothers who choose to be single mothers whether it be through adoption, IVF or naturally. This website has a lot of other links to other websites for adoption, fertility and IVF. There are also listings for support groups including phone numbers, addresses and other websites.



<http://centerforhumanreprod.com/>

This is the website for the Center for Human Reproduction. There is a lot of information on this website including the latest research on fertility and IVF

<http://www.adoption.com/>

This website is a good overview of adoption services. This includes information for birthparents, adoptive parents and foster parents. Not only does it address the adoption process but also reuniting. There is also information about adopting internationally. Also there is adoption information specifically towards the state of Ohio.

Knowing all the facts is half the battle..



Hopefully these websites have aided your walk into the future.

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