Fees for Embryo Cryopreservation and Storage

Many times a patient yields more healthy embryos from in vitro fertilization than would be wise to transfer. With your informed consent, these additional healthy embryos can be cryopreserved for your later use in attempting to establish a pregnancy.

Billing Policy – Embryo Cryopreservation

If embryos are cryopreserved after your embryo transfer, IVF New England will bill your insurance for the cryopreservation service. Typically, insurance will cover embryo cryopreservation if infertility treatment is covered; however, we suggest you contact your insurance company directly for coverage information on your specific policy.

Should you not have insurance coverage for treatment or should your insurance deny coverage for embryo cryopreservation, you will receive a bill for $350.00.

This $350 fee will cover the initial cryopreservation and the first three months of storage.

Billing Policy – Embryo Storage

For the fourth and subsequent months your embryos remain in storage a fee of $85 for each calendar month, or part thereof, will be billed on a monthly basis. Billing for storage is effective as of the first day of the month.

At this time, Blue Cross Blue Shield of MA and Harvard Pilgrim are the only insurances that offer coverage for long-term storage of embryos. If Blue Cross Blue Shield of MA pays for embryo cryopreservation, there will be 2 years of storage included in that payment. If Harvard Pilgrim pays for the embryo cryopreservation, there will be 1 year of storage included in that payment. If there is no coverage for the initial cryopreservation, there is no coverage for any additional storage and you will be billed directly for storage fees.

Should you have any insurance other that Blue Cross Blue Shield of MA or Harvard Pilgrim you will be billed directly for storage services as long term storage is not a covered benefit.

If, at any time, you wish to remove your cryopreserved embryos from IVF New England, you will be required to complete a consent form and return the notarized consent to IVF New England. The forms are available on our website or can be obtained by calling our Cryobiology Laboratory.

You will continue to accrue fees until the completed consent is received in our office.

If you have any additional questions please contact Financial Services at 781.674.1585.