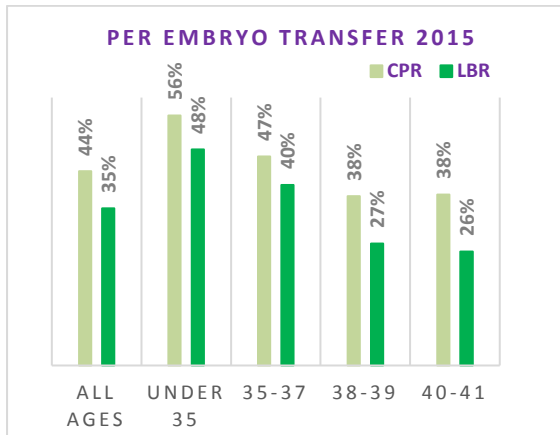




February News

Success Rates 2015



It is wonderful to report our Livebirth rates (LBR) for 2015. LBR or “take home baby rates” cannot be reported until all women have delivered. They are the most meaningful rates for patients. Our results are exceptional by international standards. We are, however, dismayed by the misleading and over-inflated success rates published on some IVF websites.

This graph illustrates both our LBR and our clinical pregnancy rates (CPR). While women under 35 have close to a 50% chance of a baby with one completed cycle, sadly, in women aged 42 and above, livebirth rates are only 4% due to the lower pregnancy rate and increased miscarriage rate.

NMH move from Holles St to SVUH

You will have heard of the planned move of the National Maternity Hospital from Holles Street to the campus of St Vincent’s Hospital. A new company, the National Maternity Hospital at Elm Park, is to be set up to operate the new hospital. We are delighted that Merrion Fertility Clinic will continue its close alliance with the National Maternity Hospital at its new location.

GP Referral Templates

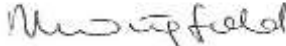
The MFC referral template is now available on all three GP IT systems, Socrates, Health one and Helix. The template is designed to automatically import information required by MFC doctors, resulting in minimum input by the GP. Details of the template are on the back of this newsletter.

Oncofertility Services

As cancer treatments in adolescents and young adults are becoming increasingly successful, fertility preservation is an area of growing interest and importance for survivors. Options currently available in Ireland are egg, sperm or embryo freezing. These can be provided at MFC for patients in a position to pay. The HSE recently announced that it is to tender for such services and MFC and the NMH are making a strong case to provide this treatment in partnership with the National Children’s Hospital and our academic partners.

Egg Freezing ‘What Women Want’

One of our doctors, Yvonne O’Brien has carried out a study of the attitudes of Irish women of reproductive age to egg freezing and ovarian reserve testing. 41% thought natural pregnancy was best and should be prioritised before 35. However 62.1% believed it was a woman’s right to postpone pregnancy and to freeze her eggs. Knowledge of AMH testing was high. To our knowledge this is the first study of its kind in Ireland and indicates that women are increasingly interested in their fertility.



Dr Mary Wingfield, Clinical Director

Merrion Fertility Clinic is a not for profit organisation at the National Maternity Hospital



Patient Details

Name: «Patient.FullName»

Maiden Name:

Date of Birth «Patient.DOB»

Address «Patient.Address1»
«Patient.Address2»
«Patient.Address3»
«Patient.Address4»

Contact number Home Number:
«Patient.HomePhone»

Mobile:
«Patient.MobilePhone»

Reason for Referral

«NOTE»

Medical History

«NOTE»

Family History

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Previous Pregnancies

Medication

«PRESCRIPTION»

Allergies

«ALLERGY»

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Pelvic Ultrasound

Progesterone

AMH

Rubella

TSH

Other hormones (if available)

Systolic / Diastolic BP

«BASELINE»

Weight/BMI

«BASELINE»

Date of last period