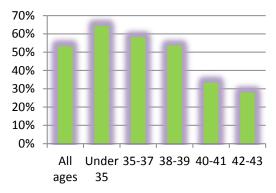
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Best IVF Success Rates Ever



Our overall clinical pregnancy rate for the last 12 months was 53.2% * per completed cycle of treatment.

In couples where the female partner is 37 years of age or younger, the chance of conceiving with a fresh cycle of treatment was over 58.2%.

Where suitable we recommend elective single embryo transfer (eSET). 36% of couples were suitable and the clinical pregnancy rate in this group was **73.6%.** These are all singleton pregnancies. This figure is irrespective of female age and all of these patients still have additional embryos in storage so they may later achieve a second or third pregnancy.

We are also delighted that our overall twin pregnancy rate remains low at only 12% due to our carefully applied criteria regarding single embryo transfers.

Contributing factors for these excellent pregnancy rates are use of time lapse photography (Embryoscope[®] Incubator) for embryo assessment, vitrification for embryo freezing and blastocyst culture to improve embryo selection.

* Due to miscarriage etc., Live birth rates are expected to be up to 8% lower but still over 50%



Free Public Fertility Lectures

Merrion Fertility Clinic is pleased to inform you that due to continued positive feedback we will be running our 3rd His 'n' Hers Fertility Bootcamp on the 31st January. This is a free event offering couples lifestyle advice that will give them the best chance of having a natural, healthy pregnancy. There will also be a session offering information on current assisted reproduction treatments available.

First Step Fertility Check

We are now offering couples a suite of initial fertility tests at a reduced cost of \notin 400. This includes:

- Ultrasound Scan
- Semen Analysis
- Blood tests, AMH & Progesterone
- Consult

Full details on our website.

GP Liaison

We are pleased to announce our new GP liaison person, Carol Whelan. Carol is available five days a week to deal directly with any queries you may have. She can be contacted on 01 6635000 or by email <u>info@merrionfertility.ie</u>

Donor egg service

We continue to provide our satellite service for patients who are undergoing donor egg IVF in clinics overseas. We are pleased to announce a new collaboration with the Institute Bernebeu in Alicante. This is an excellent clinic with a strong history of research and successful fertility treatment. In addition to the IVI group in Spain and CUBE IVF in Prague, the choice for patients is now greater.



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