

CONSENT

Treatment during the Covid-19 Pandemic

Client Label

Client Partner Label (where applicable)

Background

The COVID-19 virus was first identified in December 2019 and has since developed into a world Pandemic status. This consent form outlines the level of uncertainty surrounding fertility treatment and conception during this period of time. Repromed is committed to providing a safe and transparent service for all clients throughout the alert levels and rapidly changing requirements. It is important that you are well informed of the range of medical and financial risks that maybe known and unknown, when having fertility treatment during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Please read the list of uncertainties below and talk freely with your Repromed specialist and staff about any questions or further clarification before signing this consent.

Before initiating fertility treatment during the COVID-19 pandemic I / we understand and acknowledge that:

New Zealand Alert Levels may increase or decrease with short notice and may impact on Repromed's delivery of service.

A COVID-19 test maybe required should I / we or anyone within close contact, have flu-like symptoms prior to or during treatment.

Repromed has done everything within their control to plan for a continuous supply of equipment and consumables. However, delays in manufacturing, stocks and freight are common during the COVID-19 Pandemic, resulting in potential shortages of laboratory consumables, culture media, medications and other specialist supplies for use in fertility treatment cycles. This may therefore impact on Repromed's ability to initiate or complete treatment, with limited guarantee that treatment will proceed as planned.

There is no refund on dispensed medications and cancellation fees are applicable as they would normally be should treatment be discontinued due to COVID-19

Repromed has reviewed the current data and international medical recommendations on effects of COVID-19. There is no evidence that COVID-19 increases the risk of a miscarriage. However the normal changes of a woman's body during pregnancy (eg lung function, cardiac output and immune system) is known to increase the risk of severe complications to viral respiratory conditions in general.

There is little evidence to suggest that the virus can cross the placenta from mother to baby. But this is early data and has not been scientifically confirmed. The babies that were exposed to COVID-19 late in pregnancy appear not to have any health issues at birth. There is no data yet on the effects of COVID-19 during the first trimester of pregnancy as the virus has not been around for 9 months yet to know the outcome of these pregnancies.

Repromed will do everything to ensure the safe delivery/arrival of gametes, embryos and biopsied cells when been transported nationally or internationally but cannot be responsible for freight delays outside of its control during worldwide Pandemic. So this would be at your own risk.

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For further information regarding the risks to pregnancy during Covid-19, please refer to the following guidelines published by [The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists](#) and [The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists](#)

The potential COVID-19 risks have been clearly explained to us/me by my/our Repromed Specialist:

Dr _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

This consent form is valid for 12months from the date of signing

Client Undergoing Treatment:

Signature:

Date: ____/____/____

Partner (where applicable):

Signature:

Date: ____/____/____

Repromed Staff Name:

Signature:

Date: ____/____/____