

**BCRM**Bristol Centre for
Reproductive Medicine

Ten steps to Egg Donation Treatment

If you are considering using donor eggs for your treatment, you may find this step by step guide to the process helpful.

Our dedicated egg donation team are there to support you every step of the way.



1 Consultation

You will need an egg recipient appointment with our specialist egg donation consultant. At this appointment, you will discuss your medical history and the egg donation process will be fully explained to you. Any necessary bloods, semen analysis or scans will be discussed. The appointment will last an hour.

2 Waiting List

Following your appointment you will be added to our waiting list for an egg donor and you will need to pay the Egg Recipient Registration Fee.

3 Matching Appointment

Our egg donation programme manager will then contact you to discuss your characteristics and your requirements for a donor.

4 Blood Tests and Sperm Analysis

If advised in your consultation you will need to arrange any blood tests or semen analysis.

5 Implications Counselling

You will need a specific counselling appointment for using donor eggs. This will be for 45-60 mins and can be via zoom or face to face.

6 Patient Information Video

When you are nearly ready for matching, you will be sent an information video to watch and you will need to sign some consent forms.

7 Matching You with a Donor

You will be offered a choice of donors and will be able to pick the donor that feels right for you. You will be sent the characteristics of the donors and pen portraits that they have written.

8 Starting Your Treatment

Once you have chosen your donor and started your period, our dedicated donor nurse will be in touch to set up your treatment and order your medication. If you are using donor sperm, the frozen sperm must be with us before you start your treatment.

9 Egg Thaw

On the day the eggs are thawed, the male partner will be invited to do a fresh semen sample or if you are using donor sperm this will be thawed.

10 Embryo Transfer

The embryologist will keep you informed on how many blastocysts have developed and if you are having a fresh transfer you will have this 5 days after egg thaw. If the blastocysts are being frozen for a delayed transfer, then we will let you know how many have been frozen for you to use.

