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Useful Websites

At Home IUI Inseminations (Bay Area)

- [At Home Fertility](#) with Midwife Michelle Edgar: Conception Assistance in the comfort of your home.
- [Take Root](#) with Midwife Michelle Borok: Home Insemination and Fertility Services

Fertility Resources

- [Alta Bates In Vitro Fertilization Program](#) Comprehensive fertility services: IUI, IVF, In-house Egg Donors, Surrogates, ICSI/MESA/PGD, Egg Freezing, Fertility Preservation with Cancer, Pregnancy Losses, Ovulation Induction, Surgery. Educational website.
- [American College of Nurse Midwives](#) National database of nurse midwives, plus links related to pregnancy, medical issues, and parenting.
- [American Fertility Association](#)
 - [The Family is All Right: Disclosure and Open Donation](#) Good resource for when you're considering whether to use a donor in our **Identity-Release® Program** and/or when you're trying to decide whether and when to talk to your future child about your family's donor origins. Authored by mental health experts Madeline Licker Feingold, PhD & Elaine Gordon, PhD (2008).
 - [Building Healthy Donor Conceived Families](#) An excellent primer to read anytime during the process of trying to conceive, during pregnancy or after your child is here. Authored by mental health expert Madeline Licker Feingold, PhD (2008).
 - [Talking with Children about Sperm Donation](#) An excellent primer when thinking about talking to your children about the family's donor origins. Authored by mental health experts Jean Benward, LCSW & Patricia Mendell, LCSW (2010).
- [American Society for Reproductive Medicine](#) Helpful guidelines and fact sheets related to every aspect of reproductive technology. ASRM's research journal, Fertility & Sterility, focuses primarily on medical aspects of fertility. Also see ASRM's Mental Health Professional Group, which specializes in psychological support and well-being.
- [At Home Fertility](#) These SF Bay Area-based midwives offer in-home intrauterine inseminations to women in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties.
- [Awakenings Birth Services](#) SF Bay Area-based midwives offering prenatal, birth and post-partum care.
- [Bay Area Homebirth Collective](#) Collective of midwives offering prenatal, birth, and postpartum care, as well as classes and support groups. Serving the San Francisco Bay Area. (415) 273-5185
- [Birthways](#) Childbirth preparation classes and referrals within the SF Bay Area
- [Conceive Magazine](#) Great resource for everything related to getting pregnant

- [East Bay Homebirth Midwifery](#) We are committed to and skilled in providing emotionally and physically safe space for women who choose to give birth in the intimacy and comfort of their home.
- [European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology](#) ESHRE's research journal, Human Reproduction, is an excellent research publication which covers both medical and psychosocial issues related to fertility.
- [Fertile Hope](#) Non-profit organization dedicated to helping male and female cancer patients faced with infertility.
- [Fertile Thoughts](#) Resources, links, and bulletin boards related to fertility, adoption, surrogacy, and parenting.
- [Fertility Plus](#) Articles and resources on trying to conceive.
- [INCIID](#) International Council on Infertility Information Dissemination. Consumer-targeted infertility information with fact sheets and up-to-date reproductive health news.
- [Infertility 911](#) Find out complete information about female and male infertility, their symptoms and causes. Get to know how infertility is diagnosed and treated.
- [Infertility Network](#) Non-profit organization offering education and support related to infertility. Based in Canada.
- [Integramed](#) Links to US Fertility Clinics-contact one in your area
- [Internet Health Resources Group](#) An online resource with a range of resources: legal, medical, social support, books.
- [Laurel Fertility Care](#) They offer only the latest assisted reproductive technologies (ART) supported by our nationally accredited embryology laboratory, resulting in excellent success rates.
- [Maia Midwifery](#) Midwives who specialize in fertility, LGBTQ families and single parents by choice. They provide telephone consultations nationwide, online support groups, fertility retreats and pregnancy retreats for LGBTQ families on Maui.
- [Mental Health Professional Group](#) The American Society for Reproductive Medicine's Mental Health Professional Group (MHPG) is dedicated to enhancing knowledge and understanding of psychological and emotional aspects of reproductive health.
- [Natural Resources](#) SF Bay Area-based retail store and educational center providing resources, referrals, and classes focused on pregnancy, childbirth and parenting.
- [Open Path: The Family Building Resource for Northern California](#) The mission of Open Path is to provide timely, compassionate and a balanced educated perspective to all. We provide referrals to screened specialists and professionals and offer a place to connect, find support and share valuable experiences.
- [Pacific Fertility Centers](#) Site includes good fertility information and links to other resources.
- [Parents Via Egg Donation](#) Information for the parent or the parent-to-be including secure message boards, resource information and reading list.

- [Reproductive Science Centers of the Bay Area](#) Great Resource. Fertility services. Site includes general information about reproductive technology.
- [UCSF Center for Reproductive Health](#) Fertility services, including IUI, IVF, ICSI, and donor egg program. Fresh sperm inseminations with husband's or known donor's sperm. Inseminations seven days a week. San Francisco, CA (415) 353-7475

Alternative Families

- [Bananas](#) Provides comprehensive information and referrals to child care and children's services in Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oakland, and Piedmont. Oakland (510) 658-7353
- [Choice Moms](#) For single women who are choosing to build a family. Resources, events, podcasts and blogs geared toward the choice mom community.
- [COLAGE](#), Children of Lesbians and Gays Everywhere. Support and advocacy organization for children of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered parents.
- [Donor Conception Network](#) Non-profit organization offering education and support related to family formation through donor conception. Includes excellent resources for talking to your child about their donor origins. Based in the UK.
- [Donor Conception Support Group](#) International organization (based in Australia) offering support, information, and resources.
- [Family Equality Council](#) Works to ensure equality for LGBT families by building community, changing hearts and minds, and advancing social justice for all families.
- [iVillage Pregnancy & Parenting](#) Includes groups for single women and lesbian parents
- [Lesbian Health Research Center](#) The official site of UCSF's Lesbian Health Research Center offers lesbians and their medical practitioners information on a variety of health-related topics and includes a section on parenthood.
- [Mombian-Resources for LGBT Families](#) For Lesbian Moms
- [Our Family Coalition](#) Sponsors events and education for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered families and friends in the SF Bay Area.
- [Parents Place](#) A full-service family resource center offering workshops, classes, and support groups to families in San Francisco, Palo Alto, San Rafael, and Santa Rosa.
- [Single Mothers by Choice](#) National support and information network for single women choosing motherhood.
- [The Rainbow Babies](#) The Rainbow Babies vision is to provide a central area for general information on the many aspects of GLBT pregnancies and parenting. We will also provide space for parents or would-be parents to share their stories about their respective paths to parenthood.

- [TransParentcy](#) TransParentcy's mission is to support the Transgender Parent, and their advocates (lawyers, mental health professionals, friends, family) by providing information and resources to diffuse and/or dispel the myths about any adverse impact being transgendered/transsexual might have on one's children.
- [Two Lives](#) A publisher and distributor specializing in books, music, and gifts for LGBT families.

Sperm Banking and Male Infertility

- [Sperm Bank Directory](#) This national directory site includes information on why and how to bank your sperm.
- [Testicular Cancer Information and Support](#) An informational and support site with online chat forums dedicated to educating and supporting patients with testicular cancer.
- [Testicular Cancer Resource Center](#) Information and support related to testicular cancer, the most common cancer for men between the ages of 15 and 35.

Adoption

- [Adopt International](#) Private non-profit agency that provides both domestic and international adoption placement services. San Francisco (415) 934-0300
- [Adoption Connection](#) Non-profit Northern California agency that facilitates open adoptions.
- [Family Builders by Adoption](#) Non-profit SF Bay Area agency that trains prospective parents for special needs children.
- [Gradstein, Attorney](#) Adoption and surrogacy counseling and legal services. Half Moon Bay, CA (800) 922-0777
- [Independent Adoption Center](#) Non-profit agency that facilitates open adoptions.
- [Pact, An Adoption Alliance](#) Non-profit Bat Area organization that facilitates open adoptions of US-born children of color and creates resources and publications related to race and adoption.
- [Susan Romer, Adams & Romer, Attorneys](#) Pioneers in open adoption. San Francisco, CA (415) 643-4523

Legal Resources

- [Ami Jaeger, Attorney](#) Private practice. Works with parents, donors, and surrogates. Santa Fe, NM (505) 466-4642
- [Deborah Wald, Attorney](#) Private practice in San Francisco. Over ten years experience in lesbian and gay family issues, including sperm and egg donor agreements.
- [Diane Michelsen, MSW, Attorney](#) Private practice with Shannon Matteson. Twenty years experience with adoption and assisted reproduction. Lafayette, CA (925) 945-1880

- [Emily Doskow, Attorney and Mediator](#) Private practice. Fifteen years offering family services to the LGBT community, including donor agreements and adoption. Berkeley (510) 540-8311
- [Jane Hindman, Attorney](#) Private practice. Experienced in alternative methods of family building. Cupertino (408) 777-8457
- [Lederman & Beach, Attorneys](#) Lesbian-owned private practice in San Francisco. Services include co-parent agreements, sperm donor and recipient contracts, powers of attorney, and adoption.
- [Linda Scaparotti, Attorney](#) Private practice in Oakland and San Francisco. Experienced in donor insemination issues including co-parent agreements, donor contracts, and powers of attorney.
- [National Center for Lesbian Rights](#) National legal and advocacy organization for lesbians and their families offering phone counseling, education, and publications.
- [Nolo Press](#) Free legal information on key issues affecting same-sex couples.
- [Susan Silber, Attorney](#) Family law. Lesbian mom herself, working in DC and MD, also licensed in NY. (301) 891-2200
- [Yetta Kurland, Attorney](#) Private practice. Experienced in second-parent adoption and lesbian/gay family issues. New York, NY (212) 253-6911