

Reproductive Technologies, Inc.

# THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA

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## MEDICAL FACILITY REGISTRATION

This form is required at the time of registration if your medical facility is not already in our system.

Physician Name \_\_\_\_\_ Patient Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Practice and/or Associate(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Type of practice \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ License # \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED** ☐ A photocopy of my Practicing License, verification of license from a state registration website, OR a voided prescription is attached.

I understand that The Sperm Bank of California (TSBC) is registered as a reproductive tissue bank with the FDA (U.S. Food and Drug Administration) and is in full compliance with FDA regulations governing donor screening and testing.

I understand that all TSBC donors are recruited from the general population, and that prior to acceptance each applicant goes through a two-month screening process, during which TSBC evaluates fertility, takes a health history, provides a thorough medical examination, assesses risk status for sexually transmitted diseases and tests their blood, semen and urine for infectious diseases.

I understand that genetic testing for TSBC donors will depend on when they participated in the program and each donor's genetic test results are available for free on TSBC's website. TSBC began using a 250+ expanded carrier screening panel in 2019 and the panel increased to 525 in 2023. Prior donors were screened with ethnicity-based panels including screening for cystic fibrosis carrier status, for sickle cell anemia and thalassemia carrier status using hemoglobin electrophoresis), for Spinal Muscular Atrophy (starting in 2013) and, when indicated, for Tay Sachs carrier status and a panel for donors of Jewish ancestry.

I understand that TSBC tests all donors for the following sexually transmitted diseases: gonorrhea, chlamydia, syphilis and antibodies to hepatitis B, hepatitis C, cytomegalovirus (CMV), Human T cell Lymphotropic Virus Types 1 and 2 (HTLV-1 and HTLV-2), HIV 1/2/O. TSBC also performs West Nile Virus testing on all donors, starting in 2017. All sperm samples are quarantined for a minimum of 180 days and donors are repeatedly tested for the above-mentioned diseases while they are collecting samples and after quarantine.

I understand that although TSBC guarantees that the appropriate tests have been performed by its reference laboratory, laboratory tests are not 100% accurate and TSBC cannot guarantee the absence of sexually transmitted diseases, inheritable illnesses or inheritable birth defects resulting from insemination with donor sperm.

I understand that thawed frozen sperm will not survive as long as fresh sperm and that insemination should take place as close to the time of ovulation as possible. I understand that TSBC cannot guarantee that pregnancy will occur as a result of donor insemination, and I agree to inform my patient of the limitations and risks of artificial insemination.

I understand that TSBC guarantees (1) a post-thaw minimum of 20 million motile sperm per cc and 20% motility in every washed IUI-ready sample and (2) a post-thaw minimum of 10 million motile sperm per cc and 15% motility in every washed Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) sample. As samples that have been washed for IUI are .5cc in volume, this guarantee translates to 10 million motile sperm per IUI-ready vial and 5 million motile sperm per ART vial. ART vials are recommended for IVF procedures. ART vials with counts of 14+ million per cc (7+ million per vial) may be used for intrauterine insemination.

I agree that I and/or my patient will take responsibility for the receipt, storage, and care of any sperm samples received from TSBC. I understand that TSBC is not responsible for any damage to the samples that may occur during the transport or shipping process, or due to subsequent storage at another facility. I understand that samples transported in liquid nitrogen vapor tanks should be used within seven days of receipt. Samples that will not be used within the timeframes indicated should be stored in liquid nitrogen tanks or returned to TSBC before the timeframe ends.

I understand that TSBC tracks all pregnancies and birth outcomes to maintain a 10-family limit and for quality assurance purposes. TSBC requires all recipients to register prior to purchasing vials. Partners/spouses of TSBC recipients should register with TSBC (at no additional charge) if they plan to conceive using donor vials. Samples are to be used by this patient, or their partner/spouse, only.

I agree to notify TSBC before giving TSBC sperm samples to any other individual. I understand that the other individual will be required to register with TSBC prior to using the samples. I understand that if my patient and their partner/spouse are doing reciprocal IVF that the person carrying the pregnancy is the registered recipient.

I further understand that registration is also required for embryo donation. If embryos are donated anonymously, TSBC requires documentation from the clinic containing the TSBC donor number and the name of the recipient receiving the donated embryo(s) in order to offer ongoing family services to the embryo donation recipient.

I agree to sign my patient's Medical Professional Annual Signature Form and to notify TSBC promptly of any suspected or known adverse reactions.

**Medical Professional's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_