

Future Planning for Your Embryos

We commend you for your forward thinking and thoughtful planning for your remaining embryos in the event of your deaths. The people managing your affairs will also be thanking you for your foresight.

At your request, we are providing you the following information to help you gather and maintain documents that your executor/subsequent representative will need to provide to the **Snowflakes® Embryo Adoption Program** following your passing. *We do not need copies of these documents now but you do need to have them included in your final directives.*

Please be aware, each U.S. state may have laws pertaining to human embryos and it is important for you to: 1) be aware of these laws as you work with an attorney to prepare your post-death directives, and 2) actively review and update your documents regularly. Failure to do so, may preclude your wish to have your remaining embryos placed for adoption.

Our desire is that you will choose to use your remaining embryos for your own family building or place them for adoption shortly. We do not support keeping embryos in storage indefinitely. The following guide has been created to help you prepare in advance of a premature death.

As the Placing Parent, we recommend you inform your clinic of your decision. Once you complete your clinic's disposition form, it should:

- ⇒ Specifically identify the embryo(s) you want to place through Snowflakes in the event of your death.
- ⇒ Name your chosen representative, i.e. friend, relative, or lawyer, that you have designated as the person to oversee the placement of your embryos on your behalf.

Let your representative know your plan, to help insure your wishes will be honored. Provide them with the contact information for both the **Snowflakes program** and your clinic.

- **Make sure your account with your storage facility is current and that you have also set aside enough of a provision for another two or three years of storage, just in case the placement of your embryos is delayed.**

We hope you will give your embryo(s) the opportunity to be born, whether through your own means, or through placing them for adoption. If you choose the latter, it would be our honor to serve you!

Each parent who wishes to place their remaining embryos for adoption, following their death, must complete the documents below. Note: Male and Female versions must be completed as indicated.

Application: [This is a form](#) that placing parents complete together, unless one of you has already passed away.

Authorization for Release of Health Information: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#) Authorization to Release Medical & Biographical Information: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#)

Understanding of the Placement Process: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#) Family Profile: [An instructional guideline is provided here.](#)

Embryo Adoption Agreement: [Sample](#) Embryo Adoption Agreement Approval of Sample: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#)

As a placing parent, if you are also the **GENETIC PARENT**, i.e. you used your own eggs or sperm in the creation of your embryos you must also complete the following items listed below.

Health History: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#) FDA Questionnaire: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#) Reproductive Physical Exam: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#) Blood Test Requirements: [Male Version](#) [Female Version](#)

Alternatively, if you used a **sperm donor and/or egg donor** in the creation of your embryos, please provide the following documentation, which you can acquire from your clinic. **Please Note: It is recommended that you do this as soon as possible, in the event your clinic deletes files, and/or sells/closes the business.**

1. Donor Profile(s) complete with donor ID(s)
2. Donor(s) Lab Work complete with donor ID(s)
3. Written consent of the egg donor complete with donor id (stating that she, the egg donor, relinquishes all rights to the remaining embryo(s), thereby, allowing you, the placing parents, to place your embryos with a third party).

Please note: the clinic may redact any identifying information on the donor, with the exception of the donor id, which must match both the profile and the lab work provided.

Please note: We make every effort to keep our documentation current, however, it is subject to change without notice.