

Fertility Preservation After a Diagnosis of Cancer

One of the adverse consequences of cancer treatments is infertility or the inability to conceive a child. This may result from surgery on reproductive organs or effects of cancer medications on reproductive cells and can occur in both male and female patients. Thus, those diagnosed with cancer should consider discussing with their health care providers whether infertility is a risk for them and, if so, if fertility preservation is right for them.

BOYS AND MEN



- Sperm banking
- Shielding of testes from radiation if being treated with radiotherapy

GIRLS AND WOMEN



- Banking of ovarian tissue
- Banking of eggs
- Banking of embryos
- Surgically moving ovaries away from areas of radiotherapy
- Removing cervix but preserving uterus
- Shielding of ovaries from radiation if being treated with radiotherapy