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Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos and Gametes) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2020

DID YOU KNOW? - WHAT HAS CHANGED

Comes into force on 1 July 2020

Allows embryos and gametes to be stored in certain circumstances for longer than the ten-year period ("the statutory storage period")

DID YOU KNOW? - NEW TIME LIMITS

Part 2 of the Regulations - The current 10-year storage will be extended by two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic provided appropriate consent has been obtained

Part 3 of the Regulations – allows for further extension of time of 12 years from the date of the most recent written opinion from a registered medical practitioner

This means those who have stored sperm, eggs or embryos that are reaching the 10-year storage limit will not be penalised by the current suspension of fertility treatment due to COVID-19

DID YOU KNOW? - FERTILITY CLINICS

Clinics can now apply to reopen for treatment

Clinics must complete the Human Fertilisation & Embryology Authority COVID-19 Treatment Commencement self-assessment tool and submit this to their inspector before commencing treatment

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