



Annual Report 2018/2019

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About ECART

The Ethics Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ECART) is the ethics committee for the purposes of the Human Assisted Reproductive Technology Act 2004 ([the HART Act](#)), which aims to secure the benefits of these technologies by promoting and protecting the health, safety, dignity and rights of those involved in them.

Under the HART Act, ECART's prior approval is required in order to conduct:

- human reproductive research (that is, research that involves the creation or use of human gametes, human embryos or hybrid embryos)
- assisted reproductive procedures, except those that have been declared to be 'established procedures'.

ECART reviews applications for human reproductive research and assisted reproductive procedures in accordance with guidelines issued by the Advisory Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ACART).

Purpose of this report

ECART's [Terms of Reference](#) require it to report annually to the Minister of Health.

This report must include information on ECART's membership, a summary of the applications reviewed during the year, details of any complaints received (and how they were resolved), and areas of review that caused difficulty in making decisions. The report should also detail the number and type of applications for assisted reproductive procedures and human reproductive research, the date of first review, the final outcome, and the reason for the deferring or declining of any applications.

Chairperson's report

I am pleased to present the 14th Annual Report of the Ethics Committee on Assisted Reproductive Technology (ECART), for the year ending 30 June 2019.

Applications

In 2018/2019, ECART reviewed 48 applications over five meetings; compared with the 2017/2018 year when ECART reviewed 50 applications over six meetings. ECART also reviewed 67 applications to extend the storage period of gametes and embryos beyond their original 10-year limit.

ACART guidelines


No guidelines were published in 2018/19.

Additional function

Following a request from fertility clinics to be able to approach ECART for informal advice on established procedures, ECART wrote to the Minister of Health asking for this function to be assigned pursuant to section 28(1)(e) of the HART Act. The Minister agreed to assign this function to ECART and asked for details of such advice to be included in future Annual Reports; these details can be found on page 15 of this report.

Committee members

I wish to record my gratitude and thanks to all the committee members for their continuing commitment to ECART, without which the committee could not function effectively. I would particularly like to thank Dr Carolyn Mason who completed her ECART term this year.



Iris Reuecamp
Chairperson

Membership and attendance

Membership

Lay members



Ms Iris Reuvecamp (Chair)

Membership category: expertise in the law

Date of first appointment: August 2015

Current term expires: 22 December 2021

Iris is a barrister and solicitor, and has many years of experience specialising in health and disability law in both the United Kingdom and New Zealand. Iris has worked as in-house counsel and as an external adviser for a wide range of health and disability sector clients. Iris currently practises as a sole practitioner at Vida Law.

Iris' practice includes advising on administrative and public law issues; civil litigation and judicial review processes; complaints, inquiries, investigations and inquests; corporate and clinical governance (including conflicts of interest and legal compliance); health sector policy; privacy law; health sector procurement and contracting; health sector employment; mental health; personal welfare and protection of personal and property rights; personal injury, treatment injury and accident compensation; and professional regulation.

Iris has a Bachelor of Law (Honours) and a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Psychology and Criminology from Victoria University of Wellington (1998), and a Masters in Bioethics and Health Law (Distinction) from the University of Otago (2012). She is a member of the Institute of Directors (2014) and an associate member of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (2016). She is currently undertaking a Master of Laws at the University of Auckland specialising in human rights.



Dr Carolyn Mason

Membership category: expertise in ethics

Date of first appointment: 21 July 2011

Current term expires: 19 May 2019*

Dr Mason is currently a Lecturer in Ethics at the University of Canterbury (2001-present). Prior to this she was a Lecturer at Lincoln University (2000), and a Science Research Technician (1979-1985). Dr Mason completed a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Philosophy (1992), a Master of Arts in Philosophy (1999) and a Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy at the University of Canterbury (2013). Dr Mason was a member and Chair of the Upper South A Regional Ethics Committee (2005-2008), and a member and Deputy Chair of the Canterbury Regional Health and Disability Ethics Committee (2002-2004). She is currently a member of the University of Canterbury Human Ethics Committee.



Ms Judith Charlton

Membership category: expertise in disability perspective

Date of first appointment: 7 July 2016

Current term expires: 30 May 2019

Jude was born with a physical disability, and has always been a fighter for disability rights, particularly in relation to access, education, and employment.

Jude gained a degree in Sociology and Education, as an adult student at Canterbury University. Since then, she has worked in disability support on campus at CPIT and Lincoln University. During her time on campus, Jude travelled overseas, on a Churchill Fellowship, meeting disabled students, and disability support staff.

Her background also includes working as an educator for the Human Rights Commission, and an advocate in the disability sector.

Jude has also enjoyed working as a volunteer teaching English to Refugees and Migrants, and was a founding member of the Disabled Persons Assembly.

She is currently enjoying semi-retirement and spending time with her grandchildren, while working part time for CCS Disability Action, giving disability awareness presentations to schools and the wider community.



Ms Michèle Stanton

Membership category: member with the ability to articulate issues from a consumer or community perspective

Date of first appointment: 7 July 2016

Current term expires: 25 February 2022

Michele is a solicitor with a particular interest in medico-legal and employment law in the health sector.

As a Director of Health Professional Legal Services Limited, Michele acts as legal counsel for health professionals on behalf of insurer New Zealand Medical Professionals Ltd. Michele's work also includes legal and advocacy advice from the NZ Resident Doctors Association, NZ Medical Laboratory Workers Union and APEX.

Michele is a member of the Auckland District Law Society Health & Disability Law Committee, and a Board member of the Academic Quality Agency for New Zealand Universities.

Michele has served on the Physiotherapy Board of New Zealand, under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 and is a former member of the UNITEC Research Ethics Committee, and a former lawyer member of Northern X, and Northern A Health and Disability Ethics Committees.

Michele has a Diploma in Business Studies from Massey University (1998), and Bachelor of English from the University of Canterbury (1981) a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Canterbury (1984), and a Graduate Diploma in Law from the University of Auckland (1988).

Michele's background includes advocacy, research ethics, occupational regulation and quality assurance in the financial services, education and health sectors.

Non-lay members



Dr Freddie Graham

Membership category: expertise in human reproductive procedures

Date of first appointment: 21 July 2011

Current term expires: 5 September 2019*

Dr Freddie Graham is currently an obstetrician and gynaecologist at Fertility Associates. He established New Zealand's first private fertility clinic, Fertility Associates (1987) and was awarded the Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for his services to medicine in 2009. Dr Graham has completed a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at London University, a Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh), as well as a Fellowship of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists.



Dr Mary Birdsall

Membership category: member with expertise in assisted reproductive procedures

Date of first appointment: 28 March 2017

Current term expires: 28 March 2020

Mary is Fertility Associates Group Medical Director and one of the most sought after fertility specialists within New Zealand. Mary is innovative, caring and has a breadth of experience across all aspects of fertility care.

Mary specialises in the latest fertility technologies, including egg preservation, genetic screening and has advocated for patients to be able to access new treatments such as ovarian tissue transplants for cancer patients.

Mary also publishes regular articles including a regular review in the Fertility Research Review, and is a recognised media spokesperson across all fertility topics. Mary has also published the Fertility Associates book 'Making Babies'.

Mary graduated from Auckland Medical School followed by post-graduate training at National Women's Hospital. She was awarded a Nuffield Scholarship and completed a Masters Degree in Human Reproduction at Oxford University from 1993 to 1996. Mary returned to New Zealand in 1996 and joined Fertility Associates.



Dr Paul Copland

Membership category: expertise in human reproductive research

Date of first appointment: 24 September 2015

Current term expires: 17 September 2021

Dr Copland has a Bachelor of Science with Honours in Biochemistry from Otago University and completed his Doctoral research on Embryonic Stem Cell Research and the Metaphysics of Identity in 2004.

He served two terms as the ethicist member of the Multi Region Ethics Committee (MREC) from 2008-2012 before moving to Australia to manage research ethics committees for a large University.

Current research interests include the role of ethics committees in promoting research integrity.

* Unless a person sooner vacates their office, every appointed member of ECART shall continue in office until their successor comes into office. (ECART Terms of Reference)

Attendance

ECART held five meetings in 2018/2019

		Meeting dates					Total
		23/8/18	2/11/18	13/12/18	28/2/19	9/5/19	
Members	Ms Iris Reuecamp (Chair, L)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/5
	Dr Mary Birdsall (ARP)	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	4/5
	Ms Judith Charlton (D)	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	4/5
	Dr Paul Copland (HRR)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/5
	Ms Michèle Stanton (C)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/5
	Dr Freddie Graham (ARP)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/5
	Dr Carolyn Mason (E)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5/5
Total members attending		7/7	7/7	6/7	7/7	6/7	-
Applications	Surrogacy	5	1	7	5	8	26
	Embryo Donation for Reproductive Purposes	2	2	1	1		6
	Donation of Eggs or Sperm between Certain Family Members		1		2	1	4
	Creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	3		3	5	2	13
	Human reproductive research						0
	Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis						0
Total applications reviewed		10	4	11	13	11	49

A = Apologies, ✓ = Present, X = not current member of committee, ○ = Māori member

Membership categories:

L = expertise in the law

E = expertise in ethics

D = disability perspectives

C = member with the ability to articulate issues from a consumer or community perspective

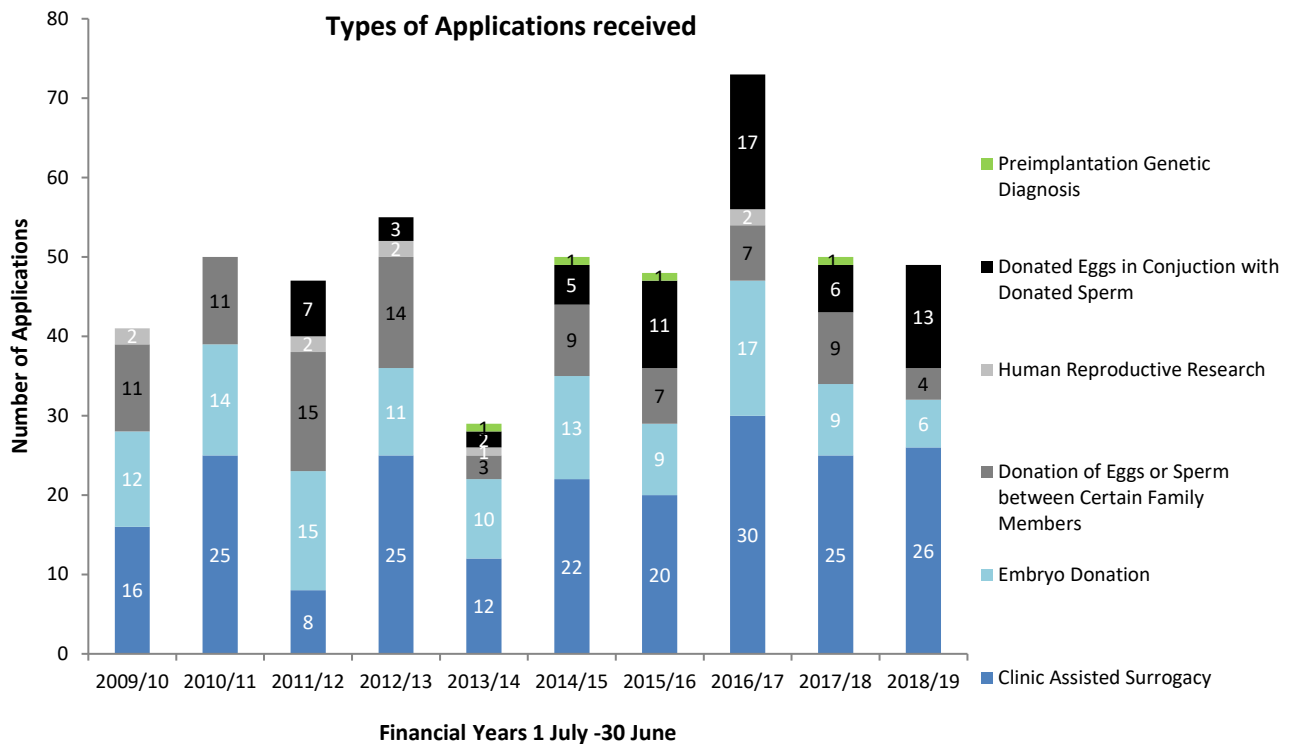
ARP = member with expertise in assisted reproductive procedures

HRR = member with expertise in human reproductive research

Applications reviewed

ECART reviewed 49 applications in 2018/2019. These included 13 applications for donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm, 4 applications for donation of eggs/sperm between certain family members, 6 applications for embryo donation, and 26 applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services.

Figure 1: The number and type of applications reviewed by ECART by year, 2009/2010 – 2018/2019



Of the 49 assisted reproductive procedure applications reviewed in 2018/2019, 22 were approved at first review, five were approved subject to conditions, one was approved with recommendations, 16 were deferred, and three were declined. Two were established procedures where non-binding ethical advice was provided.

Of the 15 deferred applications, 11 were approved on second review, one was approved subject to conditions, two were declined and the applicants withdrew one application.

This year, ECART considered 67 storage extension applications. Details can be found on page 24 of this report.

This was a slight decrease from the previous year when ECART considered 72 applications for extended storage of gametes and embryos.

Creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm

In 2018/2019, ECART reviewed 13 applications for the creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm. This is the eighth year in which ECART has considered this type of application.

As of 1 July 2019, 6 applications were approved, one was approved with recommendations, four were deferred and two were declined.

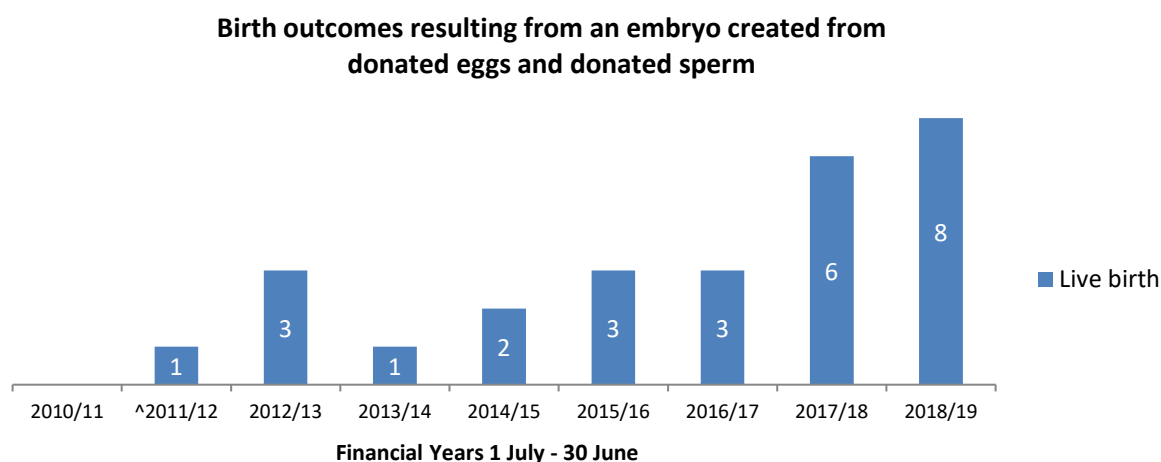
For the first declined application, the Committee noted that the main reason the recipient couple who were in a same sex relationship required an egg donor was that one of the recipients had age-related infertility. The ACART guideline 3(a)(ii) states that each intending parent (where there are two) must have a medical condition affecting his/her reproductive ability, or a medical diagnosis of unexplained infertility, that makes the creation and use of an embryo created from donated eggs with donated sperm appropriate. There was no information in the reports submitted that would suggest that the other recipient woman's eggs could not be used. If there was no reason why the other recipient woman could not use her eggs then as the guidelines stand, ECART could not approve the application.

The second application was declined on the same basis as the first, where there was no information in the reports submitted that suggested that the other recipient woman's eggs could not be used. Accordingly, the Committee agreed to decline the application with reliance on section 3(a)(ii) of the Guidelines on the Creation of embryos, for reproductive purposes, from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm.

Of the 42 currently approved applications of this type there have been eight live births in 2018/2019.

The total number of applications so far reviewed by ECART since 2011 have resulted in 27 births.

Figure 2: Birth outcomes from current applications for the creation and use, for reproductive purposes, of an embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm by year, 2010/2011 – 2018/2019



^ 2011/2012 is the first year that ECART considered this type of application.

Surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services

In 2018/2019, ECART reviewed 26 applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services.

As of 1 July 2019, 17 of the 26 surrogacy applications received by ECART in 2018/2019 were approved, four applications were approved subject to conditions and three were declined. ECART gave non-binding ethical advice for two traditional surrogacy applications that used established procedures.

The first declined application was declined with the reliance on principles (a) and (c) of the HART Act – *(a) the health and well-being of children born as a result of an assisted reproductive procedure or an established procedure should be an important consideration in all decisions about that procedure: and (c) while all persons are affected by their application, women, more than men, are directly and significantly affected by their application, and the health and well-being of women must be protected in the use of these procedures.* This was on the basis of the significant risks to the birth mother and any potential child she may carry.

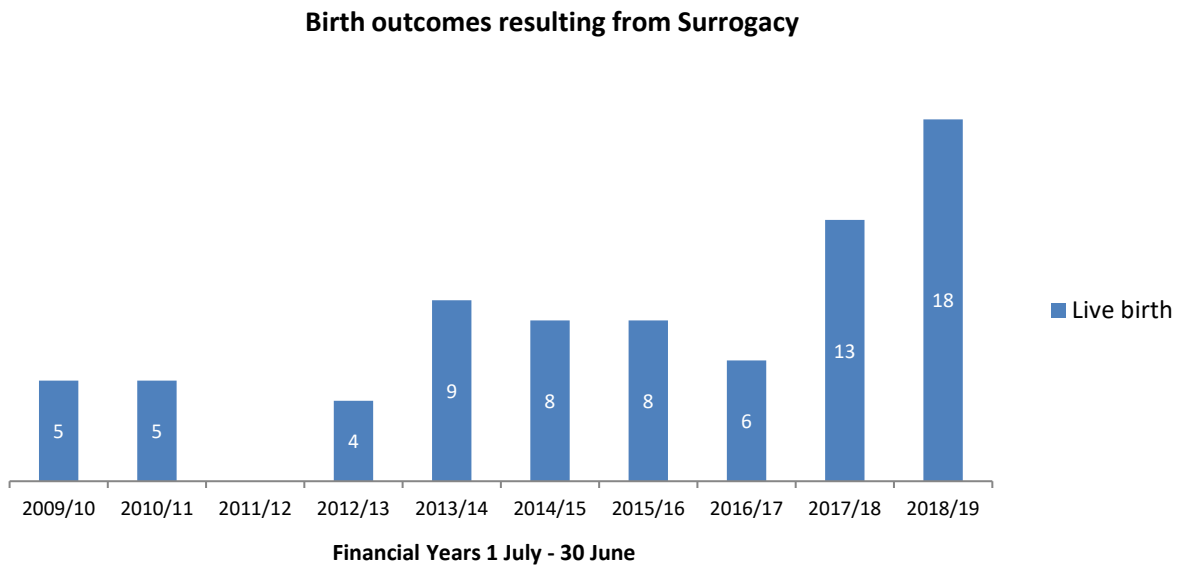
For the second declined application, ECART noted the risks associated with the birth mother carrying a surrogate pregnancy. The Committee was concerned that if any of the risks materialised, this would likely have significant implications for the birth mother and have a detrimental impact on both her well-being, and that of her children. In these circumstances, ECART considered the risks of a surrogate pregnancy to the well-being of the birth mother and her children were difficult to justify. ECART therefore decided to decline this application with reliance on principles (a) and (c) of the HART Act 2004.

For the third declined application ECART considered there was significant medical risk to the birth mother, as well as to the health and wellbeing of the potential child. ECART considered that approving a surrogacy arrangement for any birth mother who would qualify for care at a high-risk clinic, as in this case, seemed difficult to justify. Therefore, ECART agreed to decline the application with reliance on principles (a) and (c) of the HART Act 2004.

Of the 94 currently approved surrogacy applications there were 18 live births during 2018/2019.

The total number of surrogacy applications approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in a total of 99 live births.

Figure 3: Birth outcomes from current applications for surrogacy arrangements involving providers of fertility services by year, 2009/2010 – 2018/2019



Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members

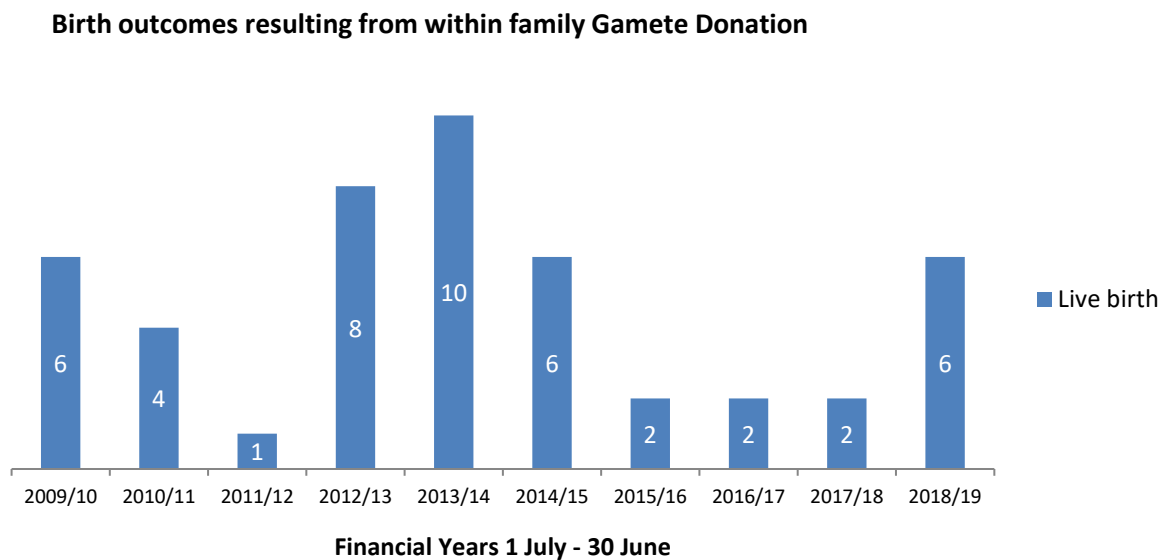
In 2018/2019, ECART reviewed four applications for the donation of eggs or sperm between family members.

As of 1 July 2019, three applications were approved, and one was deferred.

Of the 23 currently approved applications of this type, there were six live births during 2018/2019.

The total number of applications for the donation of eggs or sperm between family members approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in 61 live births.

Figure 4: Birth outcomes from current applications for the donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members by year, 2009/2010 – 2018/2019



Embryo donation for reproductive purposes

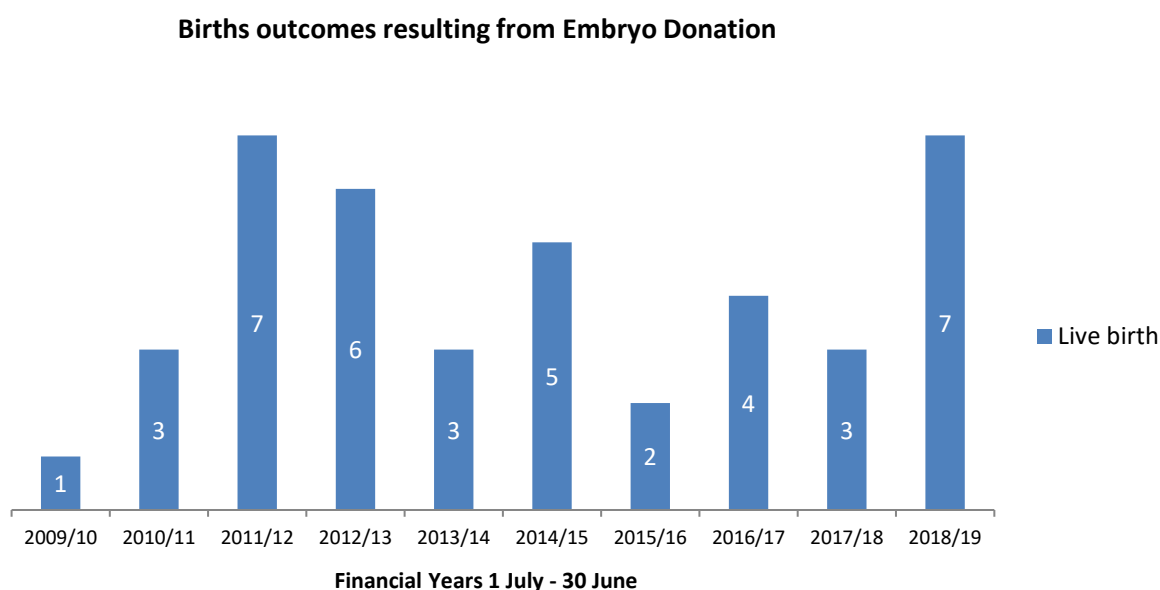
ECART reviewed six applications involving embryo donation for reproductive purposes in 2018/2019.

As of 1 July 2019, five applications were approved, and one application was approved subject to conditions.

Of the 30 currently approved applications for embryo donation there were seven live births during 2018/2019.

The total number of embryo donation applications approved by ECART since 2005 have resulted in 48 live births.

Figure 5: Birth outcomes for current applications from Embryo donation, by year, 2009/10 – 2018/19

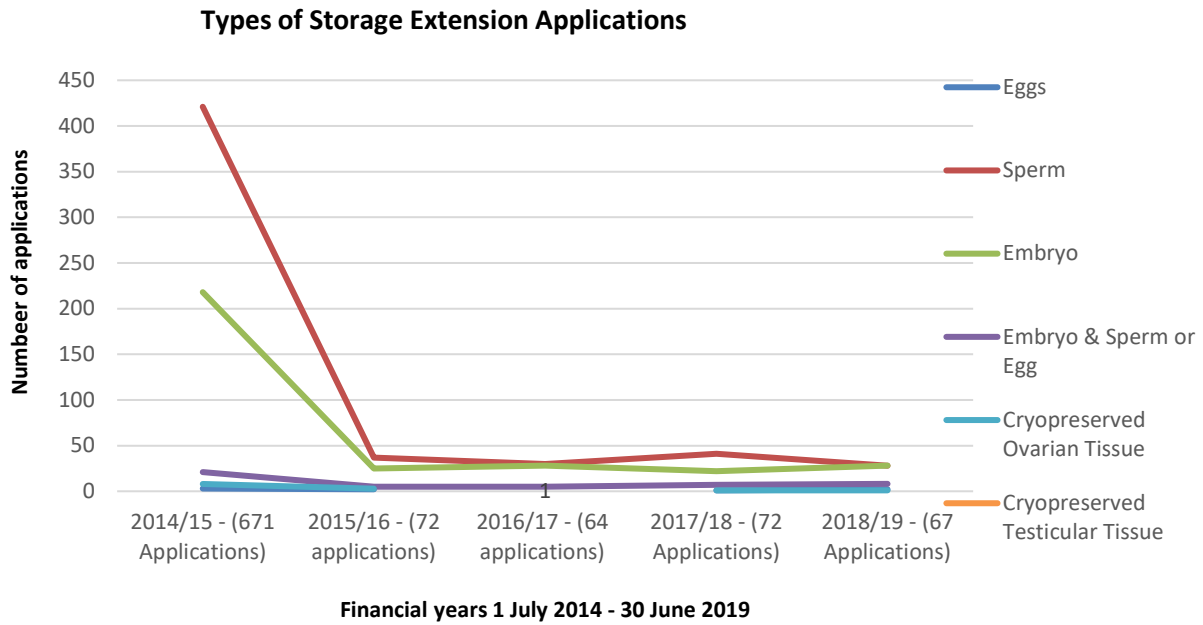


Storage Extension Applications

This year ECART considered 67 storage extension applications.

At the first review all 67 applications were approved.

Figure 6: The number of storage extension applications received for 2014/2015 – 2018/2019



Issues and complaints

This section outlines issues faced by the Committee during 2018/2019.

Advice on established procedures

In February 2011, the Minister assigned ECART the function of giving ethical advice on established procedures to fertility clinics when requested by them to do so.

ECART gave non-binding ethical advice on two surrogacy arrangements that involved established procedures as the birth mothers' own eggs were used. For the first application, the Committee suggested that due to the birth mother's circumstances, it would be appropriate for the birth mother to have further counselling and noted a recommendation to wait for one year before starting treatment.

For the second surrogacy arrangement, ECART recommended that a previous donation by the egg donor be disclosed to the intending parents due to the plausible risk of the children socialising without knowing that they are genetic half-siblings.

Issues referred to ACART

No issues were referred to ACART in 2018/2019.

Complaints received

ECART received one complaint in 2018/2019. The complaint arose from the committee's decision to approve a surrogacy arrangement between sisters. The surrogate contacted ECART to tell the story of her experience as a surrogate, noting the lack of support available and the significant psychological pressure of being a surrogate. She suggested that psychological assessment be required as part of the application process and that counselling be available during the pregnancy at least every trimester to improve the current process.

ECART considered the points the surrogate raised and decided it was appropriate for these issues to be considered and consulted on within the sector in the context of the Fertility Standards review.

Appendix A – Applications considered by ECART in 2018/2019

App#	Date of first review	Initial decision	Date of final review	Final decision	Type of procedure	Approval end date	Is treatment finished?
E18/82	23/08/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	15/01/2020	Yes
E18/83	23/08/2018	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		
E18/84	23/08/2018	Approved		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	30/08/2021	Yes
E18/85	23/08/2018	Approved			Embryo donation	20/09/2021	Yes
E18/86	23/08/2018	Deferred	2/11/2018		Embryo donation	26/11/2021	Yes
E18/87	23/08/2018	Deferred		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	14/09/2021	Yes
E18/88	23/08/2018	Deferred			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	13/09/2021	Yes
E18/89	23/08/2018	Deferred		Approved STC	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	13/09/2021	Yes
E18/90	23/08/2018	App with recs		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	23/08/2021	Yes
E18/91	23/08/2018	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	13/09/2021	Yes
E18/106	2/11/2018	Approved			Embryo donation		Yes
E18/107	2/11/2018	Deferred	9/05/2019		Embryo donation		Yes
E18/108	2/11/2018	Deferred			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	22/02/2024	Yes
E18/109	2/11/2018	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	26/11/2021	No
E18/124	13/12/2018	Deferred			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	4/02/2022	Yes
E18/125	13/12/2018	Declined			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	N/A	
E18/126	13/12/2018	Deferred			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	25/03/2022	Yes
E18/127	13/12/2018	Declined	28/02/2019		Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	11/04/2022	No
E18/128	13/12/2018	Declined		Declined	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	N/A	
E18/129	13/12/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	14/01/2022	No
E18/130	13/12/2018	Approved STC		Declined	Embryo donation	N/A	
E18/131	13/12/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	14/01/2022	Yes
E18/134	13/12/2018	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		No

*STC = Subject to conditions

Approved with recs = Approved with recommendations

App#	Date of first review	Initial decision	Date of final review	Final decision	Type of procedure	Approval end date	Is treatment finished?
E18/135	13/12/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		No
E18/136	13/12/2018	Deferred			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		
E18/132	28/02/2019	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		
E18/133	28/02/2019	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		
E19/01	28/02/2019	Deferred	9/05/2019	Declined	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	N/A	
E19/02	28/02/2019	Deferred		Approved	Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	N/A	
E19/03	28/02/2019	Deferred	12/12/2019	Declined	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	N/A	
E19/04	28/02/2019	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members		
E19/05	28/02/2019	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	19/03/2022	Yes
E19/06	28/02/2019	Declined			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	N/A	
E19/07	28/02/2019	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	19/03/2022	No
E19/08	28/02/2019	Approved			Embryo donation	19/03/2022	Yes
E19/09	43524	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		
E19/10	28/02/2019	Approved		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	20/03/2022	No
E19/11	28/02/2019	Deferred	9/05/2019		Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E19/22	9/05/2019	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	29/05/2022	No
E19/23	9/05/2019	Approved		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	29/05/2022	Yes
E19/24	9/05/2019	Est procedure			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	N/A	
E19/25	9/05/2019	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	29/05/2022	Yes
E19/26	9/05/2019	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	29/05/2022	No
E19/27	9/05/2019	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	29/05/2022	Unsure
E19/28	9/05/2019	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	29/05/2022	Yes
E19/29	9/05/2019	Deferred	4/07/2019		Clinic-assisted surrogacy	16/07/2022	N/A
E19/30	9/05/2019	Est procedure			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	N/A	N/A
E19/31	9/05/2019	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E19/32	9/05/2019	Deferred	4/07/2019		Clinic-assisted surrogacy	15/07/2022	Yes

*STC = Subject to conditions

Approved with recs = Approved with recommendations

Appendix B – Applications considered by ECART prior to 1 July 2018 but ongoing throughout 2018/2019

App#	Date of first review	Initial decision	Date of final review	Final decision	Type of procedure	Approval end date	Is treatment finished?
E15/11	5/03/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	17/03/2018	Yes
E15/60	30/07/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	6/08/2018	
E15/61	30/07/2015	Approved with recs			Embryo donation	6/08/2018	
E15/62	30/07/2015	Approved STC	28/08/2015	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	28/08/2018	
E15/63	30/07/2015	Deferred	28/08/2015	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	28/08/2018	
E15/64	30/07/2015	Approved STC		App withdrawn	Clinic-assisted Surrogacy		
E15/74	24/09/2015	Deferred	17/10/2015	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	17/10/2018	No
E15/75	24/09/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	6/10/2018	Yes
E15/76	24/09/2015	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	6/10/2018	No
E15/77	24/09/2015	Deferred	17/10/2015	Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	17/11/2018	No
E15/78	24/09/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	6/10/2018	Yes
E15/79	24/09/2015	Approved			Embryo donation	6/10/2018	
E15/80	24/09/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	6/10/2018	
E15/81	24/09/2015	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	6/10/2018	
E15/82	24/09/2015	Deferred	16/11/2015	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	16/11/2018	
E15/83	24/09/2015	Approved			Embryo donation	6/10/2018	Yes
E15/84	24/09/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	6/10/2018	Yes
E15/85	24/09/2015	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	6/10/2018	
E15/107	3/12/2015	Approved			Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis	16/12/2018	No
E15/108	3/12/2015	Deferred	25/02/2016	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	18/03/2019	
E15/109	3/12/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	16/12/2018	Yes
E15/110	3/12/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	16/12/2018	Yes

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E15/111	3/12/2015	Approved			Embryo donation	16/12/2018	No
E15/112	3/12/2015	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	16/12/2018	No
E15/113	3/12/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	16/12/2018	No
E15/114	3/12/2015	Deferred	7/07/2016	Declined	Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members		
E15/115	3/12/2015	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	13/01/2019	
E15/117	3/12/2015	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	16/12/2018	
E15/118	3/12/2015	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	16/12/2018	
E16/04	3/03/2016	Deferred	15/04/2016	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	15/04/2019	
E16/08	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	3/03/2019	Yes
E16/09	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	3/03/2019	Yes
E16/10	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	3/03/2019	Yes
E16/11	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	3/03/2019	Yes
E16/12	3/03/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	3/03/2019	No
E16/13	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	3/03/2019	Yes
E16/14	3/03/2016	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	11/04/2019	Yes
E16/15	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	3/03/2019	
E16/16	3/03/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	3/03/2019	
E16/17	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	3/03/2019	
E16/18	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	3/03/2019	
E16/19	3/03/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	18/03/2019	
E16/20	3/03/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	18/03/2019	
E16/25	5/05/2016	Deferred		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	25/07/2019	
E16/25	5/05/2016	Deferred	7/07/2016	Approved	Embryo donation	25/07/2019	
E16/26	5/05/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/05/2019	Yes
E16/27	5/05/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/05/2019	Yes
E16/28	5/05/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	23/05/2019	
E16/29	5/05/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	23/05/2019	Yes

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E16/37	7/07/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	20/07/2019	Yes
E16/40	7/07/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	16/08/2019	Yes
E16/41	7/07/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	26/07/2019	Yes
E16/42	7/07/2016	Approved STC			Embryo donation		Yes
E16/43	7/07/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	20/07/2019	Yes
E16/44	7/07/2016	Deferred		Approved	Embryo donation	22/09/2019	Yes
E16/45	7/07/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	26/07/2019	Yes
E16/46	7/07/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	21/07/2019	Yes
E16/47	7/07/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	21/07/2019	Yes
E16/48	7/07/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	21/07/2019	No
E16/62	8/09/2016	Deferred		Approved	Research	5/12/2019	
E16/63	8/09/2016	Deferred		Approved	Research	5/12/2019	
E16/64	8/09/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	21/09/2019	Yes
E16/65	8/09/2016	Approved STC		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	27/09/2019	Yes
E16/66	8/09/2016	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	29/09/2019	Yes
E16/67	8/09/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	21/09/2019	Yes
E16/68	8/09/2016	Deferred	17/02/2017	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/03/2020	Yes
E16/69	8/09/2016	Deferred	28/04/2017	Approved	Embryo donation	17/07/2020	Yes
E16/70	8/09/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	21/09/2019	Yes
E16/71	8/09/2016	Deferred			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		
E16/72	8/09/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	21/09/2019	Yes
E16/73	8/09/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	21/09/2019	Yes
E16/84	3/11/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	23/11/2019	No
E16/85	3/11/2016	Approved STC		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	19/12/2019	Yes
E16/86	3/11/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	23/11/2019	No
E16/87	3/11/2016	Approved STC			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/11/2019	No
E16/88	3/11/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/11/2019	No

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E16/89	3/11/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/90	3/11/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/91	3/11/2016	Approved			Embryo donation	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/92	3/11/2016	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/93	3/11/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/94	3/11/2016	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/12/2019	Yes
E16/95	3/11/2016	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	23/11/2019	Yes
E16/96	3/11/2016	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	23/11/2019	Yes
E17/06	16/02/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/07	16/02/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/08	16/02/2017	Deferred		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	27/03/2020	No
E17/09	16/02/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	13/04/2020	Unsure
E17/10	16/02/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/03/2020	Yes
E17/11	16/02/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	7/03/2020	Unsure
E17/12	16/02/2017	Approved STC		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/03/2020	Yes
E17/13	16/02/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	43897	Yes
E17/14	16/02/2017	Declined			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		Yes
E17/15	16/02/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	7/03/2020	
E17/24	28/04/2017	Approved STC		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/25	28/04/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	19/06/2020	Yes
E17/26	28/04/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	10/05/2020	No
E17/28	28/04/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/29	28/04/2017	Deferred	29/06/2017	Approved	Embryo donation	6/07/2020	Yes
E17/30	28/04/2017	Approved			Embryo donation	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/31	28/04/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	10/05/2020	No
E17/32	28/04/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	3/10/2020	No
E17/33	28/04/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	10/05/2020	Yes

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E17/34	28/04/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	10/05/2020	Unsure
E17/35	28/04/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	10/05/2020	Yes
E17/36	28/04/2017	Deferred		Approved	Embryo donation	10/08/2020	No
E17/51	29/06/2017	Deferred		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	15/08/2020	Yes
E17/52	29/06/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	18/07/2020	Yes
E17/53	29/06/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	18/07/2020	Yes
E17/54	29/06/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	18/07/2020	Yes
E17/55	29/06/2017	Approved	42975	Approved	Embryo donation	28/08/2020	No
E17/56	29/06/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		No
E17/57	29/06/2017	Deferred		Approved	Embryo donation	12/09/2020	Yes
E17/58	29/06/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	17/07/2020	Yes
E17/59	29/06/2017	Declined	28/08/2017	Approved	Embryo donation	6/09/2020	Yes
E17/60	29/06/2017	Approved STC		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	9/08/2020	Unsure
E17/61	29/06/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	17/07/2020	Yes
E17/62	29/06/2017	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	15/08/2020	Yes
E17/86	31/08/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	6/09/2020	No
E17/76	31/08/2017	Approved STC	23/03/2018	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	27/03/2021	Yes
E17/77	31/08/2017	Approved			Embryo donation	12/09/2020	Yes
E17/78	31/08/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	12/09/2020	Yes
E17/79	31/08/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	12/09/2020	?
E17/80	31/08/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	12/09/2020	Approval Expired
E17/81	31/08/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	12/09/2020	Yes
E17/82	31/08/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	12/09/2020	Yes
E17/83	31/08/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	12/09/2020	No
E17/84	31/08/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	12/09/2020	No
E17/85	31/08/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	12/09/2020	No
E17/95	19/10/2017	Approved			Embryo donation	7/11/2020	No

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E17/96	19/10/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/11/2020	Yes
E17/97	19/10/2017	Deferred	6/12/2017	Approved	Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	19/12/2020	
E17/98	19/10/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/11/2020	Yes
E17/99	19/10/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/11/2020	Yes
E17/100	19/10/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	7/11/2020	No
E17/101	19/10/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/11/2020	Yes
E17/102	19/10/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/11/2020	Yes
E17/110	6/12/2017	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	19/12/2020	Yes
E17/111	6/12/2017	Deferred			Embryo donation		Yes
E17/112	6/12/2017	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	19/12/2020	Yes
E17/113	6/12/2017	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm	19/12/2020	Yes
E17/114	6/12/2017	Approved			Embryo donation	19/12/2020	Yes
E17/115	6/12/2017	Deferred	26/04/2018	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy	7/05/2021	Yes
E17/116	6/12/2017	Approved			Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis	19/12/2020	
E18/11	22/02/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	5/03/2021	Yes
E18/12	22/02/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	5/03/2021	Unsure
E18/13	22/02/2018	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members	5/03/2021	Yes
E18/14	22/02/2018	Deferred	26/04/2018	Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E18/15	22/02/2018	Declined			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		N/A
E18/16	22/02/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy	5/03/2021	Yes
E18/31	26/04/2018	Deferred			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		
E18/32	26/04/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
W18/33	26/04/2018	Approved			Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		No
E18/34	26/04/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E18/35	26/04/2018	Approved STC			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members		Yes
E18/36	26/04/2018	Deferred			Embryo donation		Yes
E18/48	12/06/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes

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E18/52	12/06/2018	App with recs			Embryo donation		Yes
E18/53	12/06/2018	Approved			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members		Yes
E18/54	12/06/2018	Deferred		Approved	Embryo created from donated eggs in conjunction with donated sperm		Yes
E18/55	12/06/2018	Approved			Embryo donation		Yes
E18/56	12/06/2018	Approved			Embryo donation		Yes
E18/57	12/06/2018	Approved STC			Donation of eggs or sperm between certain family members		
E18/58	12/06/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		
E18/59	12/06/2018	Deferred		Approved	Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E18/60	12/06/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes
E18/61	12/06/2018	Declined	23/08/2018	Approved STC	Embryo donation		Yes
E18/62	12/06/2018	Approved			Clinic-assisted surrogacy		Yes

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App#	Stored product	Date of first review	Initial decision	Expiry date
E18/64	Sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	12/11/2024
E18/65	Eggs	23/08/2018	Approved	30/10/2028
E18/66	Donor Sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	13/04/2025
E18/67	Sperm		Approved	19/06/2023
E18/68	Donor Sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	1/10/2023
E18/69	Embryos	23/08/2018	Approved	25/11/2023
E18/70	Embryos	23/08/2018	Approved	2/04/2024
E18/71	Embryos + sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	22/10/2023
E18/72	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	1/03/2024
E18/73	Ovarian Tissue	23/08/2018	Approved	15/06/2029
E18/74	Embryos	23/08/2018	Approved	12/09/2021
E18/75	Embryos + sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	22/11/2024
E18/76	Sperm		Application Withdrawn	
E18/77	Sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	3/02/2025
E18/78	Embryos + sperm	23/08/2018	Approved	14/01/2029
E18/80	Sperm	In between meetings	Approved	14/08/2020
E18/81	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	14/08/2023
E18/92	Sperm	In between meetings	Approved	2/09/2023
E18/93	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	22/08/2019
E18/94	Donor Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	10/12/2020
E18/95	Sperm	In between meetings	Approved	26/09/2028
E18/96	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	15/01/2022
E18/97	Donor sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	13/05/2024

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E18/98	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	2/02/2024
E18/99	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	17/11/2020
E18/100	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	22/11/2020
E18/101	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	28/10/2029
E18/102	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	22/11/2022
E18/103	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	19/11/2019
E18/104	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	14/04/2029
E18/105	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	15/01/2029
E18/110	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	16/01/2020
E18/111	Embryos	2/11/2018	Approved	24/04/2021
E18/112	Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	3/02/2029
E18/113	Embryos + Sperm	2/11/2018	Approved	22/11/2028
E18/117	Sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	13/05/2024
E18/118	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	31/12/2020
E18/116	Sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	18/02/2029
E18/114	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	16/07/2023
E18/115	Sperm	In between meetings	Approved	27/11/2019
E18/119	Embryos + donor sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	24/07/2024,31/07/2024
E18/120	Embryos +donor sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	28/08/2024
E18/121	Donor sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	18/2/2024,25/02/2024,26/08/2024
E18/122	Embryos	13/12/2018	Approved	8/07/2024
E18/134	Sperm	13/12/2018	Approved	19/12/2028
E19/12	Embryos	28/02/2019	Approved	11/06/2023
E19/13	Embryos + donor sperm	28/02/2019	Approved	20/05/2025
E19/14	Embryos	28/02/2019	Approved	23/03/2021
E19/15	Sperm	28/02/2019	Approved	10/6/2029 - 17/06/2029
E19/16	Embryo	28/02/2019	Approved	17/5/2024 & 19/05/2024
E19/17	Embryos	28/02/2019	Approved	7/07/2029

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E19/18	Sperm	28/02/2019	Approved	17/11/2029,23/11/2029 & 25/11/2029
E19/19	Eggs	28/02/2019	Approved	4/03/2029
E19/20	Embryos	28/02/2019	Approved	19/03/2029
E19/21	Embryos	28/02/2019	Approved	1/04/2024
E19/33	Sperm	9/05/2019	Approved	19/5/2019 & 20/5/2019
E19/34	Donor sperm + Embryo	9/05/2019	Approved	26/05/2024
E19/35	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	27/5/2019 through to 22/09/2019
E19/36	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	24/06/2019
E19/37	Sperm	9/05/2019	Approved	24/06/2019 & 25/06/2019
E19/38	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	1/07/2019
E19/39	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	15/7/2019 & 23/10/2019
E19/40	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	30/07/2019
E19/41	Sperm	9/05/2019	Approved	31/07/2019
E19/42	Embryos	9/05/2019	Approved	14/08/2019
E19/43	Donor Sperm	9/05/2019	Approved	14/09/2019
E19/44	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	14/06/2019
E19/45	Embryos	In between meetings	Approved	16/06/2019

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