

Cancer and Fertility Funding

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What are my options in
Newfoundland & Labrador (NL)?





In this handout you will find:

- **Estimated Fertility Preservation Costs**
- **Fertility Clinics for NL Residents**
- **Provincial Funding – NL Fertility Subsidy Program**
- **National Funding – Fertile Future: Power of Hope**

This handout will provide you with information about fertility clinics, estimated preservation costs, and funding options for preserving your fertility.

Fertility is the ability to have biological children.

Your experiences and preferences regarding your sexual and reproductive health are important.

Your medical team will speak with you about your diagnosis, treatment, and any risks to fertility. They can also refer you to a fertility specialist to talk about your options.



Estimated Fertility Preservation Costs

Note: these costs are estimated based on information from all Atlantic Provinces as of December 2024. The exact cost at the fertility clinic you choose may vary. **You will likely pay more than one fee throughout your fertility treatment.** For example, one round of IVF may cost between \$10,000 and \$17,000 dollars.

Description of Fee	Oncofertility Patient Fee
Annual storage fees	\$475
Sperm freezing	\$430
Egg retrieval and freezing	\$6,105
Ovarian tissue cryopreservation	\$4,150
Testicular tissue cryopreservation	\$2,200
IVF Cycle	\$6,600 - \$7,887
Sperm Analysis	\$350 - \$530



Estimated Fertility Preservation Costs

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If you or your direct family members have private health insurance, inquire about possible fertility coverage included in your plan.

Speak with the social worker or patient care coordinator at your cancer centre for information about any additional funding that may be available.



Fertility Clinics for NL Residents

Newfoundland and Labrador Fertility Services

35 Major's Path (Suite 103), St. John's, NL
709-777-7444

Newfound Fertility and Reproductive Services

1 Paton Street, St. John's, NL
709-753-7611

These clinics do not provide services such as oocyte preservation or in-vitro fertilization (IVF).

For access to some fertility treatments, travel out of province is necessary. The closest fertility clinics to NL are in Nova Scotia (NS). If it is necessary for you to receive fertility treatment outside of the province, our provincial clinics will arrange this for you.

For more information on what fertility services are available in NL, scan the QR code:





Provincial Funding: NL Fertility Subsidy Program

What is the Fertility Subsidy Program?

Newfoundland and Labrador Fertility Services (NLFS) administers the fertility subsidy program on behalf of the provincial government. The subsidy provides a maximum of \$20,000 for IVF, egg freezing, and related expenses per person.

Note: In order to use the subsidy program, you must have a referral to NLFS by a health care provider.

How can I contact the Fertility Subsidy Program?

You can contact the Fertility Subsidy Program at fertility.services@nlhealthservices.ca.

Where can I find more information?

Scan the QR code below.



National Funding: Fertile Future - Power of Hope

What is Fertile Future: Power of Hope?

Fertile Future is a Canadian national non-profit organization that provides fertility preservation information and support services to cancer patients and oncology professionals.

- Due to time constraints and unexpected costs, many cancer patients are unable to access fertility preservation procedures prior to undergoing treatment.
- The Power of Hope Cost Reduction Program has been designed to help change this reality for those who wish to pursue sperm banking and egg or embryo preservation.
- Fertile Future has partnered with fertility treatment facilities across Canada to increase access to fertility preservation services for cancer patients.





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Who is eligible?

To be eligible for cost reduction, each of the following program criteria must be met:

- Fertility Centre administering fertility preservation treatment must be a member of the Power of Hope program.
- Household income of \$50,000 or less.
- Confirmation from applicant's oncologist indicating that cancer treatment presents a risk to fertility and that they support fertility preservation as safe and appropriate for applicant.
- Applicant must be 40 years of age or younger.
- Applicant must be a Canadian Citizen or have Permanent Resident status.
- Applicant must have a valid provincial health card.
- Applicant has not previously benefited from the Power of Hope program.
- No more than one year has elapsed since fertility preservation was performed.



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How much funding can be accessed?

Sperm Preservation:

- \$350 for one sperm collection (including analysis, freezing, and 1 year of storage of sample).

Egg or Embryo Preservation:

- Pharmaceutical product
- Maximum charge of \$4,000 for egg retrieval and egg or embryo cryopreservation
- Fertile Future will reimburse up to \$1,000 to help assist in accessing these vital services.

Where can I find more information and contact Power of Hope?

Scan the QR code below.



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