

Flinders
Fertility

**DONATE
HOPE**

Sperm donation at Flinders Fertility



CONSIDERING DONATING?

YOU'LL BE HELPING OTHERS TO FULFILL
THEIR DREAMS OF HAVING A FAMILY





WHO ARE YOU DONATING TO?

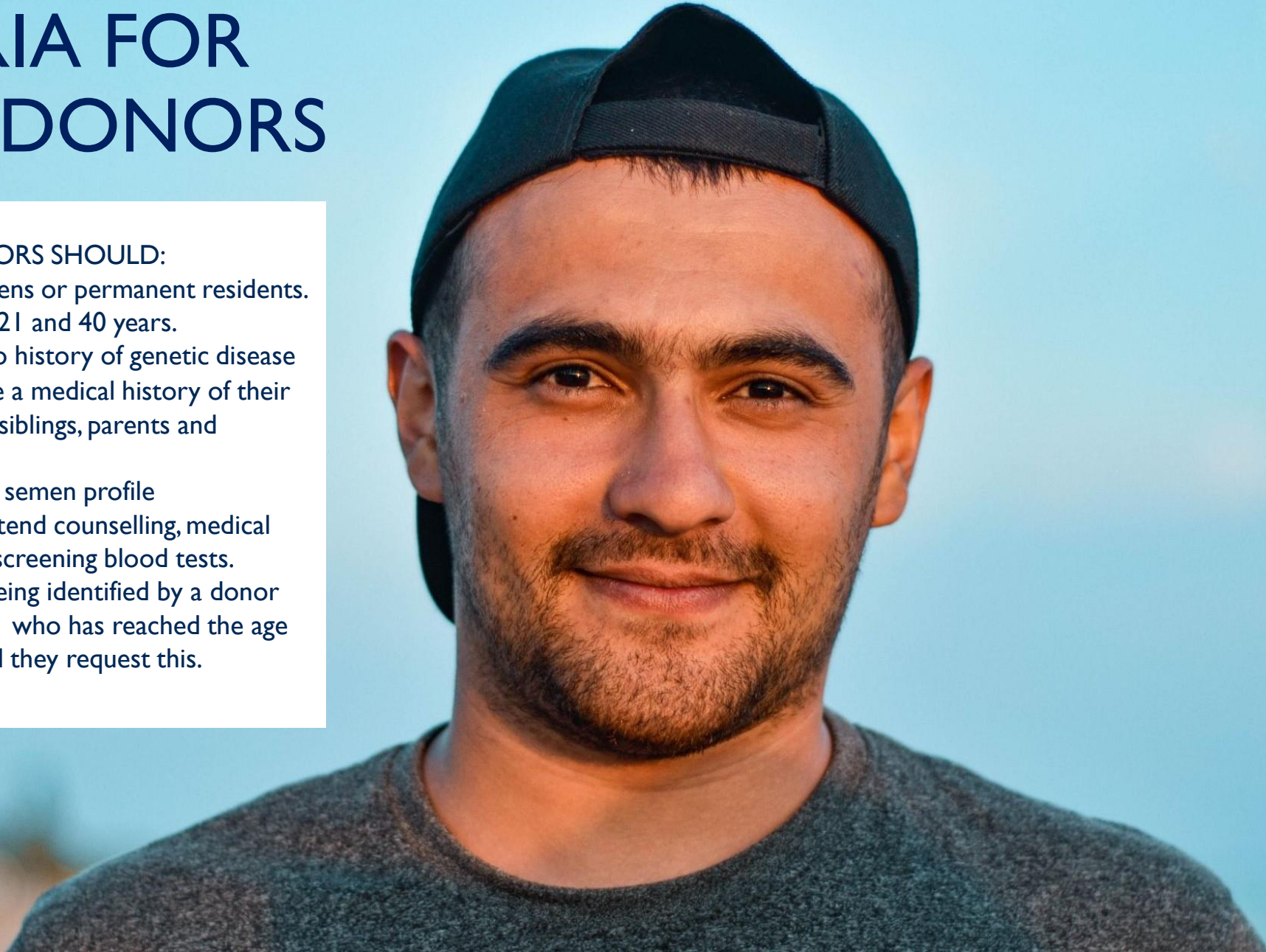
Sperm donation can support single women and couples to achieve their dream of becoming parents



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SPERM DONORS

PROSPECTIVE DONORS SHOULD:

- Be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- Be aged between 21 and 40 years.
- Be healthy with no history of genetic disease
- Be able to provide a medical history of their families (children, siblings, parents and grandparents).
- Have an adequate semen profile
- Be prepared to attend counselling, medical assessments, and screening blood tests.
- Be agreeable to being identified by a donor conceived person who has reached the age of 18 years should they request this.



MEDICAL SCREENING

A Doctor will take a medical history including inherited disorders, as well as a personal history of physical or psychological disorders. They will request blood tests, an initial semen analysis and genetic screening tests.

Once you have met the medical requirements the next step is counselling.



COUNSELLING SESSIONS

HELPING YOU TO DECIDE IF DONATION IS RIGHT FOR YOU

Donating your sperm is a big decision and should be considered carefully. Donors are required to meet with our counsellor on at least two occasions. This is to support and provide you with the information to help with decision making, including your rights and responsibilities as a donor.

Donors who have a partner will be required to bring them to at least one of these meetings.



GENETIC SCREENING

The background of the page is a light blue color with a pattern of faint, stylized chromosomes scattered across it. The chromosomes are depicted in various orientations and colors, including shades of blue, green, and purple, giving a scientific and genetic feel to the overall design.

Another positive aspect of donating sperm is that you will receive a general health check-up, a fertility assessment, and a genetic screening test to see if you are a carrier of a range of early onset genetic conditions.

Most people are carriers of one or more genetic conditions even though no one in their family (including them) has the condition. This is because, for some genetic conditions, you need to inherit two faulty copies of the gene to show symptoms of the condition. If you are found to be a carrier of a genetic condition, we will screen the recipients of your sperm to ensure they are not carriers as well.

Finding out information on your carrier status may complicate reproductive decisions for you if your current or future partner is also a carrier of the condition. However, there are strategies to avoid inheritance of genetic disease and we can support you through this process.

WHAT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO THE RECIPIENTS?

A donor profile is created which includes your physical characteristics, social history, and health background of you and your extended family.

We ask for a baby or toddler photo of you for the profile and also that you give a personal statement about your reasons for donating.

The clinic ensures that all information is de-identified.



LEGAL ASPECTS

In Australia it is illegal to be paid for sperm donation however reimbursement of out of pocket expenses is allowed.

Under South Australian law, the donor of the sperm has no legal rights or duties with regard to the child. The recipient (and partner if applicable) will be recorded on the birth certificate.

In SA, the number of families created from any one donor is restricted to 10 (or less if designated by the donor himself).

Once a child is born your information is provided to the Donor Conception Register.

Donors are contacted annually by the donor coordinator to confirm consent for donation. At any stage a donor can withdraw consent to donate however it does not prevent recipients from accessing embryos that may already be in storage.

All of this will be discussed in detail with you.



A close-up, profile view of a woman holding a baby. The woman is on the left, and the baby is on the right. They are both looking towards the right. The background is a bright, out-of-focus light source, creating a bokeh effect with soft, circular highlights. The overall mood is warm and intimate.

WANT TO GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE?

Contact our donor coordinator:

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