

SPERM DONOR QUALIFICATION PROCESS

FEWER THAN 1% OF APPLICANTS BECOME A DONOR

Being a California Cryobank donor means being the best!



1. ONLINE APPLICATION

- Basic information, such as Age (must be 19–38), Height, Weight, Ethnicity, Education, and Medical History (applicant and immediate family)
- ⊘ *Age, height, weight, or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.*



2. FIRST OFFICE VISIT

- First semen sample collected for assessment and test freeze
- Detailed medical and social information reviewed
- ⊘ *Donor has poor semen quality (count, motility) or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.*



3. SECOND OFFICE VISIT

- Second semen sample collected for assessment
- Program orientation (consent forms; detailed review of Extended Donor Profile-extensive social and medical information; family medical history)
- ⊘ *Donor has poor semen quality (count, motility) or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.*



4. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

- A California Cryobank approved physician provides a complete physical examination
- ⊘ *Physician determines donor to be unsuitable.*



5. ADDITIONAL TESTING

- Psychological assessment & educational consultation
- Criminal background check
- MMPI/PAI screening
- Infectious disease testing¹
- Urinalysis²
- Blood panel³
- Third complete semen analysis
- ⊘ *Donor does not pass psychological assessment, tests positive for infectious diseases, or has poor semen quality (count, motility, morphology).*



6. GENETIC EVALUATION

- Extensive genetic testing⁴ is performed
- In-depth family history risk assessment by a reproductive genetics specialist
- ⊘ *Genetic test results or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.*



7. FINAL REVIEW & APPROVAL

- Donor information is reviewed by our Medical Director, Genetics Department, Laboratory, and Donor Department for final approval
- ⊘ *Donor may be determined unsuitable by any of our professionals reviewing their files.*

ONGOING TESTING

Once approved, donors repeat ongoing testing.

- **Every Donation:** Semen assessment, review any changes in health or sexual partners
- **Monthly:** Test for Gonorrhea and Chlamydia
- **Every 3 Months:** Infectious disease testing and review of updated medical and social information
- **Every 6 Months:** Physical examination and Medical Director evaluation/approval



⊘ = reasons donor may not qualify • Due to California Cryobank's Privacy Policy, the photos shown in this infographic are models and not actual donors.

1. HIV, CMV, HBV, HCV, HTLV, syphilis, WNV. 2. Gonorrhea, chlamydia. 3. CBC, general chemistry panel, ABO/Rh typing, hemoglobin eval. 4. Testing performed as of May 2018: Chromosome analysis and carrier screening for at least 283 genetic disorders including cystic fibrosis, spinal muscular atrophy, Tay Sachs disease, sickle cell anemia, and thalassemias.