



	<b>Infertility Services for all enrolled Veterans</b>	<b>Veterans eligible for IVF</b>
Authority	Medical Benefits Package	New legislation
Eligibility	Enrolled Veterans, or otherwise eligible Veterans	Certain Veterans + lawful spouses
Services	All appropriate and necessary fertility services except IVF	IVF + everything included in the Medical Benefits Package for both the Veteran and lawful spouse
Service Connection (SC)	No	Required that a SC-condition that causes infertility determined at local facility level
Marital status	No	Only legally married couples
Couples	All	Only couples that can produce sperm and eggs
IUI (intrauterine insemination)	Yes (procedure for female Veteran, sperm washing for male Veteran)	Yes, Veteran + lawful spouse
IVF	No	Yes
Freezing sperm or eggs	Yes, for medical indication	Yes
Time limits for freezing of sperm and eggs	5 years	Unlimited, unless law is changed or until they are transferred to a third party for use or purposes outside the special treatment program
Freezing embryos	No, IVF not authorized	Yes, with no time limits unless law is changed or until they are transferred to a third party for use or purposes outside the special treatment program
Physical transportation of sperm/eggs/embryos paid by VA	No	No
Genetic counseling	Yes	Yes
Surrogacy	No	No
Infertility counseling	Yes	Yes
IUI	6 cycles per pregnancy	6 cycles per pregnancy
IVF	No	6 attempts to achieve 3 completed cycles
Donated sperm	Allowable but not paid for by VA (Veteran pays for non-Veteran sperm preparation/acquisition or procedure to non-Veteran)	No

Abbreviations: IVF, in vitro fertilization; SC, service-connected; IUI, intrauterine insemination; VA, Department of Veterans Affairs.