

# Feedback form

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# Questions for response

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## Question 1: Access to information that must be disclosed to patients and donors prior to consent

- (a) Do you agree there is a need for better access to the information that must be disclosed to patients and donors prior to consent?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Is there other information that should be given to patients and donors as part of the informed consent process?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Please give reasons for your views.

We believe that patients + donors have access to as much information as possible, in writing, to provide clarity on what has been given, and to ensure they have been informed appropriately.

## Question 2: Form of consent

- (a) Do you agree that consent to all assisted reproductive processes, where consent is required, must be in writing?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes ☐ No ☒

See above.

### Question 3: Donor consent to use gametes or embryos for training purposes

- (a) Do you agree that the consent of gamete and embryo donors should be obtained if their gametes, or embryos created from their gametes, may be used for training purposes?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.

We don't believe it is appropriate (in the spirit of the donation) to allow training on donated gametes or embryos created from donor gametes

### Question 4: Placing conditions on donor consent

- (a) Do you agree that donors should continue to be able to place conditions on their consent?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) If so, should there be any limits on the conditions placed?

Yes ☐ No ☒

- (c) Do you have any other comments?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Please give reasons for your views.

## Question 5: Ongoing information for donors on the use of their gametes

- (a) Do you agree that gamete donors should be given the option of receiving ongoing information on the use of their gametes for the following situations:

(i) if the gamete is about to be used?

Yes ☐ No ☒

(ii) on the outcome(s) of the donation?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Is there any other information that you think should be offered to gamete donors after consent has been given?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Please give reasons for your views.

- (i) Ongoing information about when a gamete is used provides identifying/private information about how the recipient's treatment is going.
- (ii) All donors want to know the outcome of their donation.

## Question 6: Withdrawal or variation of consent by donors

- (a) Do you agree that gamete donors should be able to withdraw or vary consent to the use of their gametes up to the point of fertilisation?

Yes ☐ No ☒

- (b) If not, when do you consider the 'point of no return' should be?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Please give reasons for your views.

We agree gamete donors should be able to vary consent etc, however would like to note that in a practical sense it's difficult to administer, particularly close to fertilisation. Point of no return should be insemination.

## Question 9: Form of requirements for informed consent

- (a) Do you agree that requirements for informed consent should be set out in regulations?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes ☐ No ☒

Please give reasons for your views.

## Question 10: Comments or suggestions

- (a) Do you have any general comments or suggestions about the requirements for informed consent?

- (b) Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the issues discussed in this consultation document?

## Question 7: Consent of a partner, family or whānau to donation or use of donor gametes

- (a) Do you agree that the consent of **partners** to the donation or use of a donor's gametes should not be required?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Do you agree that the consent of **family or whānau** to the donation or use of a donor's gametes should not be required?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.

While partner consent should not be required we would like a recommendation to be made that where existing children are involved, the partner should sign the consent as well - akin to recipients telling their donor offspring child of their origins.

## Question 8: Couple disputes about the future use of embryos

- (a) Do you agree that where one party in a couple disputes the future use of embryos that have been created for them, there should be a 'cooling-off' period of 12 months – and if not, why not?

Yes ☒ No ☐

- (b) Do you agree that, if the couple cannot agree about the use of the embryos within that period, the embryos should be disposed of – and if not, why not?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.