



### **Consent for Intrauterine Insemination**

An intrauterine insemination (IUI) is a procedure in which donor or partner sperm is injected into the uterus through the cervix using a small catheter. Intrauterine insemination can improve pregnancy rates in couples with mild “male factor” infertility or unexplained infertility. It also increases the pregnancy rate in women with mild endometriosis. The procedure is performed during ovulation whether natural or due to ovarian stimulation with clomiphene (pills) or gonadotropins (injections).

IUI procedures require the husband or donor to collect the sperm by masturbation at home or at the laboratory. The specimen must be collected within one hour prior to the 8:00 am laboratory drop-off. The specimen should be kept at body temperature during travel to the laboratory. The semen is processed at Silicon Valley Andrology Lab located in Suite 2 at Los Olivos Women’s Medical Complex. Payment for sperm processing is due at the time of service.

There is no guarantee that you will conceive or deliver a child. Los Olivos does not guarantee that a complication of pregnancy such as miscarriage, stillborn, preterm labor or birth defects will not occur. You will have the same risks with pregnancy as women who do not have intrauterine insemination.

#### Risks associated with Intrauterine Insemination

- There may be some pain with insertion of the catheter. The discomfort is usually mild and can be avoided by taking Ibuprofen 400-600 mg one hour prior to the procedure.
- Cramping after the procedure may last for 24 hours and is normal – call if you have pain for more than 24 hours.
- Bleeding.
- Infection – call if you have a temperature of 101 degrees.

**I have read and understand this consent form. The risks, benefits and alternatives of intrauterine insemination have been explained to me. All of my questions have been answered.**

Patient Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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