



1 IN 6 FAMILIES IN BC STRUGGLE WITH INFERTILITY

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INFERTILITY IS A SERIOUS MEDICAL CONDITION WITH A HIGHLY EFFECTIVE TREATMENT BUT IT IS OUT OF REACH FOR MANY IN BC DUE TO ISSUES OF ACCESS AND COST

Half of British Columbian women have been touched by infertility either personally or through a friend.

Publicly funding in vitro fertilization treatment gives all British Columbians, regardless of income or geography, the opportunity to build their families safely. Families are British Columbia's foundation. Strong families help build strong communities, a thriving economy, and a more secure future for the next generation.

Infertility is recognized by the World Health Organization as a disease that affects both men and women. IVF treatments, although often successful, are physically demanding and expensive, and are available only at clinics located in major urban centers in BC.

IVF is a safe and highly effective treatment for infertility, particularly when tied to a single embryo transfer policy. This ensures that one healthy baby is delivered per pregnancy cycle, with the best results for mother and baby.

The average cost for a single round of in IVF is \$10,000 not including the costs of medications, taking time off work, and the time and cost to travel for treatment.

IVF works and every person who can benefit from it should be able to access it, not just those with disposable income.

We are passionate patient advocates, having experienced infertility and the financial hardship of IVF treatment firsthand. We were shocked at the lack of support for our medical condition and think BC can do better. Help build strong families by supporting the public funding of IVF in BC.



We are a Patient Advocacy Group working towards having IVF and fertility treatment funded for families in British Columbia. Visit www.IVF4BC.ca for more information.

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