



Canadian Fertility and Andrology Society  
Société canadienne de fertilité et d'andrologie

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CFAS Update:  
Quebec Government Funded Fertility Treatments

The Canadian Fertility and Andrology Society (the “CFAS”) supports government funded fertility treatments for all Canadians. As such, the CFAS congratulates the Province of Quebec for acting to re-introduce funded fertility treatment again, having previously funded fertility treatment between 2010 and 2015.

When creating a program to fund Assisted Reproductive Technologies, it is essential that governments collaborate with the fertility clinics that carry out the treatments, to benefit from their knowledge and experience, and to therefore ensure that the patients have seamless access to the appropriate treatment.

Such a program must be funded in a manner that ensures that Canadian patients are able to obtain the highest level of care and best opportunity to grow their family.

The CFAS is concerned that the rapid announcement of the funding program in Quebec appears to have been made without finalizing the necessary details for its implementation, and without direct and open communication with the clinics. This situation risks leaving patients in a difficult period of transition, and puts the professionals who work in the fertility clinics in a position where they are unable to provide the necessary services.

We hope that the Quebec government will first liaise with the fertility clinics prior to implementing this program so that the current issues will be quickly resolved allowing fertility professionals in Quebec to provide the excellent care that we expect for Canadian patients.