

PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)
Act 368 of 1978

333.20179 Artificial insemination services on anonymous basis; use of frozen sperm; testing sperm donor for presence of HIV or antibody to HIV; violation; liability; definitions.

Sec. 20179. (1) A health facility or agency licensed under this article that provides artificial insemination services on an anonymous basis shall use only frozen sperm, and shall test each potential sperm donor for the presence in the donor of HIV or an antibody to HIV. The donated sperm shall be frozen, stored, and quarantined for not less than 6 months. Before frozen sperm is used for artificial insemination, and not less than 6 months after the date of the donation, the health facility or agency shall take a second blood sample from the donor and have that blood sample tested for HIV or an antibody to HIV. If at any time the test results are positive, the health facility or agency licensed under this article shall not use the sperm of the donor for artificial insemination purposes.

(2) A health facility or agency licensed under this article that violates this section shall be liable in a civil action for damages for the loss or damage resulting from the violation.

(3) As used in this section:

(a) "Anonymous basis" means that the recipient of the sperm does not know the identity of the donor, but the health facility or agency licensed under this article that provides the artificial insemination services or collects the sperm from the donor does know the identity of the donor.

(b) "HIV" means human immunodeficiency virus.

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