

Gamete donation is an increasingly needed aspect of reproductive medicine, offering hope to a growing number of individuals and couples. After exploring the complexities of gamete donation, Fertility Europe has identified **key gaps** in access to **safe and ethical** treatments. It has become clear that more must be done to ensure that all parties' rights - donors, recipients, and donor-conceived individuals - are fully respected and protected.

Taking into account the best interests and well-being of all parties involved, as well as the broader societal impact and the sustainability of healthcare systems, we call for joint efforts to:

1. Establish Comprehensive Legislation

Implement uniform standards for gamete donation across Europe, ensuring fair regulations, equal access, efficient data management including central registers, and global legal limits on births from a single donor.

2. Support Ethical and Safe Practices

Enforce ethical standards of care with regular evaluations to uphold safety and best practices.

3. Guarantee Access and Affordability

Ensure publicly funded gamete donation treatments to establish equal access to safe, ethical and efficient reproductive care.

4. Provide Comprehensive Counselling and Support

Mandate implication counselling and psychological support for donors and recipients to address emotional and ethical concerns, and create information and psychological support for donor-conceived individuals and their families

5. Ensure Donor-Conceived Rights

Guarantee donor-conceived individuals access to non-identifying and identifying donor information and comprehensive medical histories from donors.

6. Enhance Public Information and Awareness

Implement campaigns to educate the public about gamete donation, its implications and ethical practices, while providing ongoing training for professionals in the field.

7. Encourage Research

Fund more long-term studies on the impacts of gamete donation to benefit all parties involved and promote evidence-based practices.