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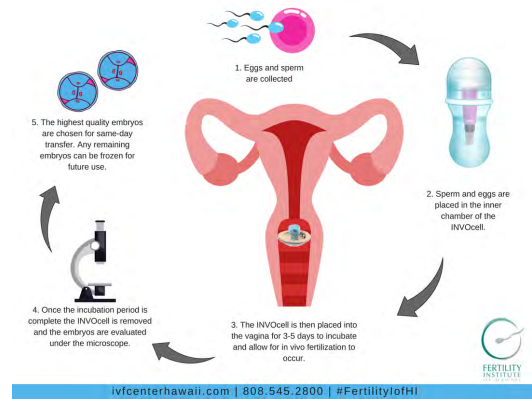
LOW-COST IVF

INVO Bioscience, Inc. is, a medical device company granted FDA clearance for the first Intravaginal Culture System, INVOcell. On March 24th, Fertility Institute of Hawai'i's very own Dr. Anatte Karmon and Senior Embryologist Jamie Kim, attended the INVOcell training program that was held in Dallas, Texas. We are very excited to be the first clinic in Hawai'i to add the INVOcell to our scope of reproductive treatments!



How does the INVOcell work?

1. Eggs and sperm are collected.
2. Sperm and eggs are placed in the inner chamber of the INVOcell.
3. The INVOcell is then placed into the vagina for 3-5 days to incubate and allow for in vivo fertilization to occur.
4. Once the incubation period is complete the INVOcell is removed and the embryos are evaluated under the microscope.
5. The highest quality embryos are chosen for same-day transfer. Any remaining embryos can be frozen for future use.



To know more about the INVOcell and if it's right for you, ask your provider today!

NEW LOCATION

We have exciting news to share, Dr. Anatte Karmon and our Nurse Practitioner Anna DeGolier will be seeing patients in Kapolei! At this new location we will be scheduling new patient consults, follow-ups, and in office procedures. Spread the word!

Mehana Community
1020 Kakala Street, Ste. 903
Kapolei, HI 96707
Right in front of park and basketball court

Parking available in stalls 252—257



CONGRATULATIONS DR. JOHN!

Dr. Frattarelli has been the Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee for the Pacific Coast Reproductive Society for several years and was elected to be on the Board of Directors this year!

In March, Dr. Frattarelli attended the 66th Annual Pacific Coast Reproductive Society (PCRS) meeting in Indian Wells, California. PCRS provides a great opportunity to network with other Reproductive Endocrinologists around the country, to discuss novel treatment strategies, and to review cutting edge research. Some of the topics discussed at this year's PCRS meeting included: Current knowledge regarding Zika and reproduction, Uterine Transplantation, Fertility Preservation using 3D printed Ovaries and Testis, Pre-implantation Genetic Screening, CRISPER gene editing, and much more.



DIGITAL NEWSLETTER

FIH has joined the digital age, with our electronic newsletter and communication that is. Don't worry, you can still pick up a paper copy at the front reception area when you come to visit us, but you can now sign up to receive our newsletter as an e-mail delivered right to your inbox. This allows you to save an electronic copy to refer back to and helps the environment as well.

Please visit our newly designed website at www.ivfcenterhawaii.com, scroll down to **Latest News and Events**, and click on the



icon to sign up.



RESOLVE PEER SUPPORT GROUPS

Resolve is pleased to announce a new peer support group in Honolulu, HI. Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of every month from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the conference rooms next to the dining area/cafeteria at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women & Children. The upcoming dates include:

- June 14 (second Thursday) Conference Room C
- July 5th Conference Room C
- August 2nd Conference Room C

- September 6th Conference Room C
- October 4th Conference Room C
- November 1st Conference Room C
- December 6th Conference Room C

For more information, please email your questions or comments to Vanessa, the group leader, at:

Resolvehawaii@outlook.com.



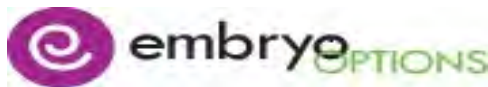
DONATING EMBRYOS

When couples go through in vitro fertilization and have decided that their family is complete, they sometimes have remaining embryos that are cryopreserved (frozen) in storage. Couples have a choice of:

- Donating for the purpose of embryo adoption.
- Donating for the purpose of quality assurance/research.
- Discarding in accordance with our policies.

Here at the Fertility Institute of Hawaii, we are one of only a few centers in the country to offer embryo adoption and donation. Donating embryos allows another family going through infertility to fulfill their dreams of becoming parents.

To find out how you can donate your unused embryos, talk to your IVF coordinator or email us at fih@armghawaii.com.



OPTIONS FOR YOUR FROZEN EMBRYOS



FIH is one of only a few IVF centers in the U.S. that is currently using Embryo Options for fertility patients. Those who wish to cryopreserve unused eggs, sperm and/or embryos for potential use in assisted reproductive treatment (ART) procedures are given access to a secure online portal. With Embryo Options, patients are able to make auto-payments for

storage, research disposition options and resources when the timing is appropriate, and have access to download complete informed consents or any other necessary paperwork.

BABY OF THE MONTH

We are currently looking for individuals to participate in our Baby of the Month Photography Storytelling Project, in partnership with Rita Coury Photography, Inc. If you've had a successful cycle with us and are interested in this unique photo opportunity, please let us know. By sharing your inspirational stories, you provide hope and determination to many that are on the journey to building a

family. To find out more about this beautiful project, contact our Marketing Manager Robyn at 808-380-8237 or by email robyn@armghawaii.com

To see current "Baby of the Month" photos please visit our website, www.armghawaii.com.



Our April Baby of the Month
Parker



NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK (NIAW)

Some of you may have already seen us on the new T.V. segment that aired April 23rd, during the KGMB morning Sunrise News called HI Now. This T.V. segment was such a great way to start National Infertility Awareness Week (NIAW). RESOLVE, the National Infertility Association, individuals, and clinics around the nation recognize this special week each year to empower those going through their family building journey.

This year the theme was #FlipTheScript. Many couples are apprehensive about voicing their infertility concerns proceeding with treatment. This year, our staff was the voice in this new conversation.

To see how we flipped the script, go to our Facebook page and watch the videos!

Throughout the week, we had treats for our patients, such as cereal bars, brownies, fruit cups, desert filled manapuas and custom made cupcakes. All of the treats had a pink or blue theme. Patients also had a chance to enter a drawing for a Hoala Spa gift card and Ala Moana gift card.



TV SEGMENT



Beginning in April, one day each month, we will be featured on HI Now. The show's host Jobeth Devera, will discuss topics about infertility, various fertility treatment options including donor eggs/embryos and oocyte preservation, and patients will discuss aspects of their fertility journey. The show airs be-

tween 7-8am during the Sunrise morning news on KGMB and on Saturday at 6pm on KHNL. To know when our T.V. segment will be on air follow us on our Facebook and Instagram pages!



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Follow us on Facebook, and Instagram, for daily/ weekly practice updates and tips...

Send us your baby photos!!

On Yelp? Write a review about us!

NEW COMMERCIAL

At Fertility Institute of Hawaii, we are dedicated to helping patients build families and create long-lasting memories. Creativity was at its finest recently when we had an on-set birthday party, a patient testimonial, and a true blast with cupcakes, balloons and a whole lot of cute kids. Make sure you look for our newest television commercial that was just released on HI News Now, where we are always "Helping to Create New Beginnings..."



TAG US! We have our own hashtag!

#FertilityIofHI

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