Feedback form

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Questions for response

Question 1: Access to information that must be disclosed to patients and donors prior to consent

(a) Do you agree there is a need for better access to the information that must be disclosed to patients and donors prior to consent?

Yes ☑ No ☐

(b) Is there other information that should be given to patients and donors as part of the informed consent process?

Yes ☐ No ☑

Please give reasons for your views.

Appendix 2 is comprehensive

Question 2: Form of consent

(a) Do you agree that consent to all assisted reproductive processes, where consent is required, must be in writing?

Yes ☑ No ☐

(b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes ☐ No ☑

Question 3: Donor consent to use gametes or embryos for training purposes

(a) Do you agree that the consent of gamete and embryo donors should be obtained if their gametes, or embryos created from their gametes, may be used for training purposes?

Yes [✓] No [ ]

(b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes [ ] No [✓]

Please give reasons for your views.

Good to align with international practice.

Question 4: Placing conditions on donor consent

(a) Do you agree that donors should continue to be able to place conditions on their consent?

Yes [✓] No [ ]

(b) If so, should there be any limits on the conditions placed?

Yes [✓] No [ ]

(c) Do you have any other comments?

Yes [✓] No [ ]

Please give reasons for your views.

Agree with current practise in Victoria (Australia), limiting conditions to the number and type of Procedures.

Question 5: Ongoing information for donors on the use of their gametes

(a) Do you agree that gamete donors should be given the option of receiving ongoing information on the use of their gametes for the following situations:

(i) if the gamete is about to be used?

Yes ☐ No ☑

(ii) on the outcome(s) of the donation?

Yes ☑ No ☐

(b) Is there any other information that you think should be offered to gamete donors after consent has been given?

Yes ☐ No ☑

Please give reasons for your views.

→ offering ongoing information would be difficult under current funding arrangement and would be extreamly time intensive.
→ details of donors are attenuated date / would require second addresses and contact information.
→ ethical / emotional risk and demand to the recipient

Question 6: Withdrawal or variation of consent by donors

(a) Do you agree that gamete donors should be able to withdraw or vary consent to the use of their gametes up to the point of fertilisation?

Yes ☑ No ☐

(b) If not, when do you consider the 'point of no return' should be?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.

→ would need a full and valid reason for the withdrawl.
→ Circumstances may change for the donor, requiring the withdrawl. Refusing withdrawl may result in increased risks.

Question 7: Consent of a partner, family or whānau to donation or use of donor gametes

(a) Do you agree that the consent of **partners** to the donation or use of a donor's gametes should not be required?

Yes ☐ No ☑

(b) Do you agree that the consent of **family or whānau** to the donation or use of a donor's gametes should not be required?

Yes ☑ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.

May effect family relationships. (pain + ~~#~~ ~~126~~).

Question 8: Couple disputes about the future use of embryos

(a) Do you agree that where one party in a couple disputes the future use of embryos that have been created for them, there should be a 'cooling-off' period of 12 months – and if not, why not?

Yes ☑ No ☐

(b) Do you agree that, if the couple cannot agree about the use of the embryos within that period, the embryos should be disposed of – and if not, why not?

Yes ☑ No ☐

Please give reasons for your views.

If storage was allowed for an increase / indefinate length of time this would result in funding pressures. Storage may need to be paid by the patients if a decision is unable to be made (if kept past 12 months).

Question 9: Form of requirements for informed consent

(a) Do you agree that requirements for informed consent should be set out in regulations?

Yes [✓] No [ ]

(b) Do you have any other comments?

Yes [ ] No [✓]

Please give reasons for your views.

Question 10: Comments or suggestions

(a) Do you have any general comments or suggestions about the requirements for informed consent?

It may be more appropriate to divide the concent depending on an egg donation vs. a sperm donation.

(b) Do you have any other comments or suggestions about the issues discussed in this consultation document?

The impact on the recipients of the donors should always be considered.