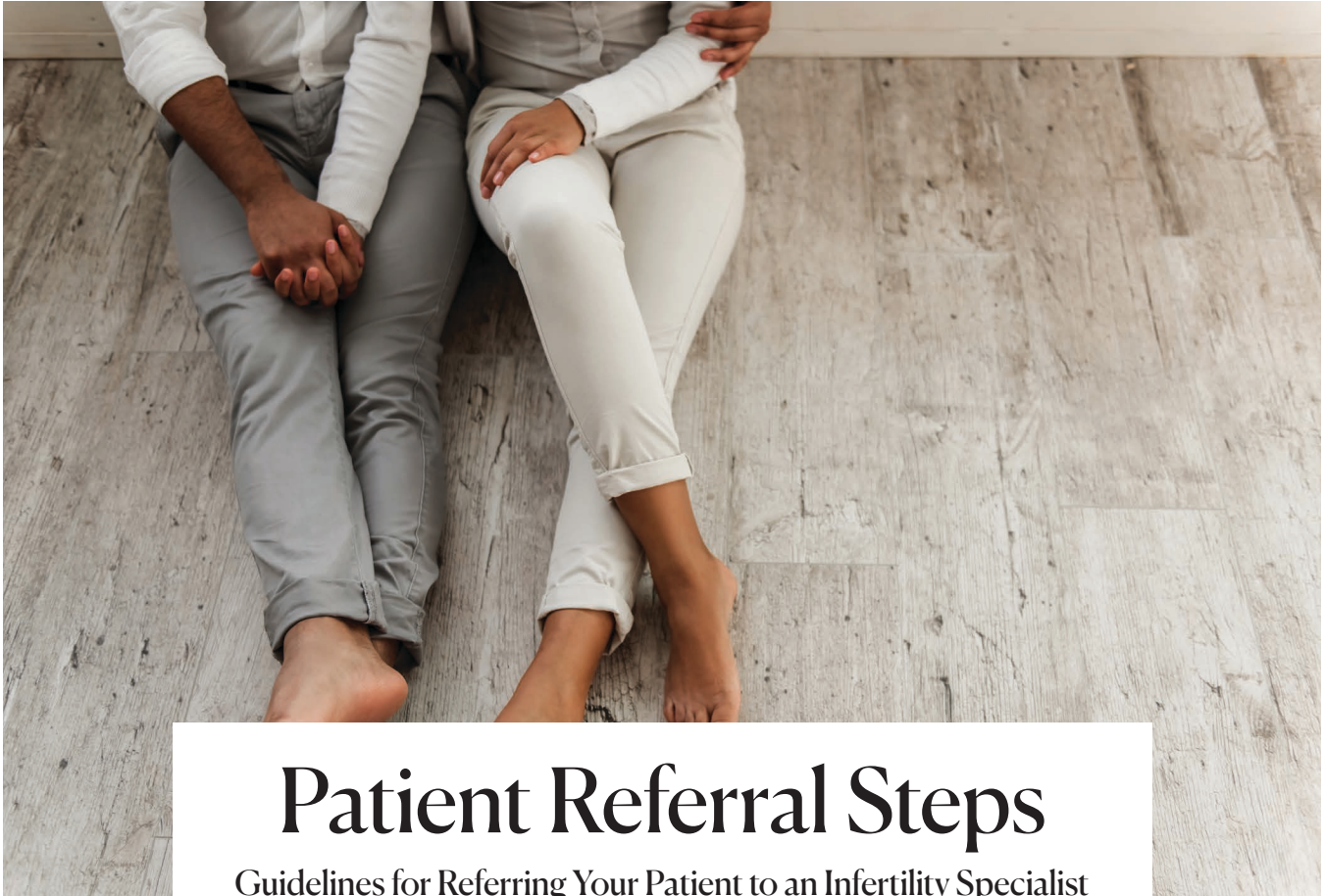




THE FERTILITY CENTER OF
LAS VEGAS



Patient Referral Steps

Guidelines for Referring Your Patient to an Infertility Specialist

Our physicians are board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Reproductive Endocrinology/Infertility. They have a combined 40 years of experience in reproductive medicine and infertility. When your patients require more intensive reproductive health intervention, our team has the experience and facilities to help. You might consider referring your patient to our center in the following situations:

- ▶ Female under the age 35 trying to conceive naturally for one year without success
- ▶ Female 35+ years of age trying to conceive naturally for six months without success
- ▶ Cycle Day 2/3 FSH level of 8.0 or above, or
- ▶ an AMH (anti-Mullerian hormone) level less than 1.0, or
- ▶ a Day 3 antral follicle count of less than 12
These patients require timely intervention
- ▶ Abnormal semen analysis count, motility or morphology
- ▶ Unilateral or bilateral tubal obstruction
- ▶ History of gonorrhea or chlamydia
- ▶ History of tubal surgery
Surgery generally has significantly lower success rates and an increased risk of ectopic pregnancy with sexual intercourse
- ▶ History of myomectomy
- ▶ History of ovarian surgery
- ▶ History of endometriosis
- ▶ Failure to ovulate with clomiphene/letrozole treatment or three or more unsuccessful cycles of Clomid/Femara

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Before Referring Your Patient

When patients first meet with us, it is helpful to have their recent medical records, including the results of previous fertility evaluations or treatments as well as any pertinent test results.



For female patients, we order the following tests in our infertility work-up. These tests can be completed prior to referral as long as they are completed within 12 months of the patient's initial visit to The Fertility Center of Las Vegas (unless otherwise specified).

- ▶ Blood type and antibodies
- ▶ Complete blood count (CBC)
- ▶ Carrier screening (Natera)
- ▶ Chlamydia Trachomatis Antibody Panel (IgG, IgA)
- ▶ Cycle Day 3 hormone levels (E2, P4, FSH, LH)
- ▶ AMH (anti-Mullerian hormone)
- ▶ Hemoglobin electrophoresis
- ▶ HgbA1C (hemoglobin A1C)
- ▶ Hepatitis panel (Hep BsAg, BsAb, B core IgM, Hep C Ab)
- ▶ HIV 1&2
- ▶ Prolactin
- ▶ RPR (syphilis)
- ▶ Thyroid panel (TSH, Free T4, Anti-TPO)
- ▶ Vaginal culture for chlamydia/gonorrhea DNA amplification, trichomonas, yeast and bacterial vaginosis
- ▶ Pap (within 3 years)
- ▶ Hysterosalpingogram (HSG)

For male patients, we can perform a semen analysis at our specialized and comfortable facility for a discounted fee. Reference labs only provide basic information such as volume, concentration, motility and forward progression. Our testing provides this information, but can also determine how many sperm would be available for intrauterine insemination (IUI) and examine sperm vitality/viability. As the referring physician, we will provide you with a copy of the lab results for you to discuss with your patient. In addition to the semen analysis, we order the following blood tests in our infertility work-up:

- ▶ Blood type
- ▶ Carrier screening (Natera)
- ▶ Chlamydia Trachomatis Antibody Panel (IgG, IgA)
- ▶ Hepatitis panel (Hep BsAg, BsAb, B core IgM, Hep C Ab)
- ▶ HIV 1&2
- ▶ Syphilis (RPR)



Once you have referred your patient to us, we will keep you informed of their progress and refer them back to you when they achieve pregnancy.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,
PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US.

Thank you for entrusting The Fertility Center of Las Vegas
with the care of your patients!