



UK Cypriot  
Fertility Association



YOUR PASSPORT TO PREGNANCY

## Welcome



The UK Cypriot Fertility Association (UKCFA) is a UK clinic which assists couples having egg donation and IVF treatment abroad. Our partnership with the Cyprus IVF Centre (CIC), an egg donation clinic in Famagusta, guarantees UK couples rapid access to safe treatment with outstanding pregnancy rates.

Dr H.I. Tekin  
Medical Director

## An Introduction

Our consultants work in the UK's largest Fertility Clinics, regularly meeting couples for whom egg donation and IVF is their best chance of achieving pregnancy.

The UK Cypriot Fertility Association (UKCFA) supports women:

- Who require donor eggs
- With rapid access to safe treatment
- Giving them the best chance of pregnancy

All treatment is supported by NHS Consultants and UK Health Professionals, both in the UK and in Cyprus.

## Clinical Governance

The CIC in Cyprus is an ISO 9001 Accredited Clinic which is regularly inspected. Clinical Governance, guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), all comply with the Human Fertilisation Embryology Authority's (HFEA) guidelines.

The clinic is also registered with the Department of Health (DoH) and undergoes annual inspections.



# Why choose the UKCFA?

- Pregnancy rates in excess of 80%
- Safe treatment with NHS Consultants
- Clinical Governance
- Unmatched donor quality
- Minimum 10 egg guarantee
- Anonymity
- No hidden costs

Just a few reasons why the UKCFA consistently delivers a World Class Service for both Egg Donation and In- Vitro Fertilisation (IVF).

## Treatment supervised by NHS Consultant Gynaecologists

Our NHS Consultants who are well known in the field of gynaecology with a vast experience in Reproductive Medicine. They supervise your treatment whilst you are in the UK. They also supervise at the Cyprus IVF Centre (ISO accredited). The UK team link with an English speaking team of UK trained professionals in Cyprus. They are always on hand to support you through your treatment programme whilst you are in the UK and abroad.

## Unmatched donor quality and availability

A large, diverse pool of young Caucasian, African, Asian and Indian donors mean an ideal donor is always available. (For more information on donors, please read page 8 for donors).

## We guarantee you will receive at least 10 mature eggs

We do this to provide you with the best chance of getting pregnant.

## Your treatment is completely anonymous

Therefore, it is impossible for the donor or the recipient to be aware of each other's identity at any time in the future. This is not the case for donors in the UK, children born following egg donation have the right to learn the identity and the details of the donor when he/she reaches 18.

## No Hidden Costs

It is important to understand what is included in the cost of treatment when choosing a clinic. In some cases, the cost of tests and medications are left out of advertised prices to keep the prices apparently low. At the UKCFA, we have no hidden costs. The advertised price is the maximum price you pay.

Please take a moment to look at our pregnancy rates on our website [www.ukcfa.co.uk/excellent-pregnancy-rates](http://www.ukcfa.co.uk/excellent-pregnancy-rates) and also read what our patients say by reading the testimonials at [www.ukcfa.co.uk/patient-testimonial](http://www.ukcfa.co.uk/patient-testimonial)

## UK team

Throughout your treatment with us, the UK Cypriot Fertility Association will ensure that you are looked after by highly qualified Health Professionals both here and in Cyprus.

There are over fifteen IVF units throughout the UK and over twenty specialist consultants that prefer our clinic as the first choice for their patients who need egg donation abroad (please see the list on the back cover). Our UK support team and main clinics in London and Liverpool are lead by Mr. R. Gazvani, Consultant in Reproductive Medicine and Surgery.



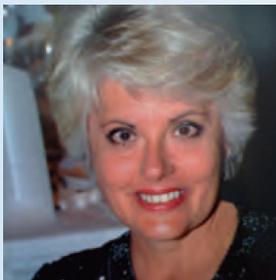
Mr. R. Gazvani, MD, FRCOG  
Consultant Gynaecologist  
Subspecialist in Reproductive Medicine and Surgery  
London and Liverpool

Mr Gazvani, Consultant Gynaecologist, Subspecialist in Reproductive Medicine and Surgery works in a teaching hospital in Liverpool. He is also a Director of The Fertility Clinic. Mr. Gazvani is a Fellow of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and recognized as an International Expert in the fields of Infertility and Endometriosis.



Christina Murphy  
BA, RGN Nurse Coordinator

Christina originally from Dublin, graduated with a BA Honours in Nursing from Liverpool John Moores University in 2007. From here she pursued a career in reproductive medicine at the Liverpool Women's IVF unit. After finishing her training Christina took on a role as nurse liaison in Bahceci Clinics, one of Turkey's biggest IVF centres based in Istanbul and Cyprus. From Istanbul Christina communicated regularly with and worked in our Cyprus clinic on a number of occasions.



Sue Walker, RGN & MSc PG (Cert) Medical Imaging  
Consultant Nurse

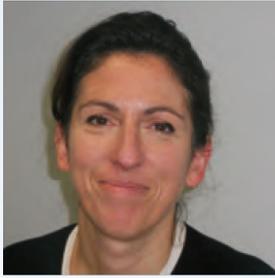
Sue first worked in ITU before transferring to Gynaecology in 1988 as Ward Sister. She became involved in Reproductive Medicine in 1990 as Fertility Nurse Specialist and eventually Matron at the IVF Centre at Liverpool Women's Hospital before taking on the role of Consultant Nurse in Reproductive Medicine with UKCFA.



Miss Jemma Hand  
Practice Manager

Jemma has extensive experience in front line services. She became a Medical Secretary in 2005 and has been working in the field of Reproductive Medicine ever since. Jemma has a thorough understanding of the issues related to fertility, IVF, PGD and egg donation. She leads the UK admin team and provides a vital link between the patients and the rest of our staff.





### Patricia Lambert, Counselling Diploma (HE), BSc (Hons) in Psychology

Counsellor Patricia is a fully qualified counsellor. Patricia uses a range of therapeutic skills to support patients in dealing with infertility issues and coping with the demands of treatment in a way that is best suited to them. Patricia holds a degree in Psychology and a Diploma in Counselling. She is a member of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy and of the British Infertility Counselling Association.



### Claire England, DCR DMU (radiographer, sonographer) UK Treatment Coordinator

Claire is our UK based Clinical Coordinator responsible for all aspects of your treatment here in the UK. Claire is a qualified radiographer and has many years experience working in and running busy Assisted Conception Units. Throughout your treatment Claire is always available to answer any questions you may have.

## Cyprus team

We have UK Health Professionals for your UK treatment and also a UK nurse dedicated to coordinating your treatment in Cyprus.



### Dr Halil Ibrahim Tekin, MD Medical Director

Dr Tekin attended Istanbul Cerrahpaşa University to study Medicine where he qualified as a Doctor in 1987. From 1998 until 2005 he worked in the field of IVF at the IVF Centres in Nicosia and in Istanbul. In 2005, Dr Tekin opened the Cyprus IVF Centre (CIC), which specialises in providing Egg Donation and PGD as well as a wide range of services. Fluent in English, along with many of his professional team, Dr Tekin is dedicated to providing the highest standards of care which is supported by the clinic being awarded the International Quality Standard ISO 9001.



### Zeren Akburak, BSc in Psychology Counsellor

Zeren was born in London and studied Psychology at London South Bank University. She joined our team in 2009 and has been an integral part of it ever since. Apart from being your first port of call in Cyprus, Zeren co-ordinates treatments working alongside the UK team. She also provides counselling and support for all our patients whilst they are in Cyprus. Her native tongue is English albeit with a London accent. She also speaks fluent Turkish.



### Imren Ozbayer Designated UK Patient Co-ordinator

Imren was born in and raised in London. Her native language therefore is English but she is also fluent in Turkish because of her family background. After completing higher education in the UK, Imren worked in various sectors developing her communication skills. Imren's main role in the unit is to work alongside Zeren providing necessary support to our English speaking patients during their visit to Cyprus.

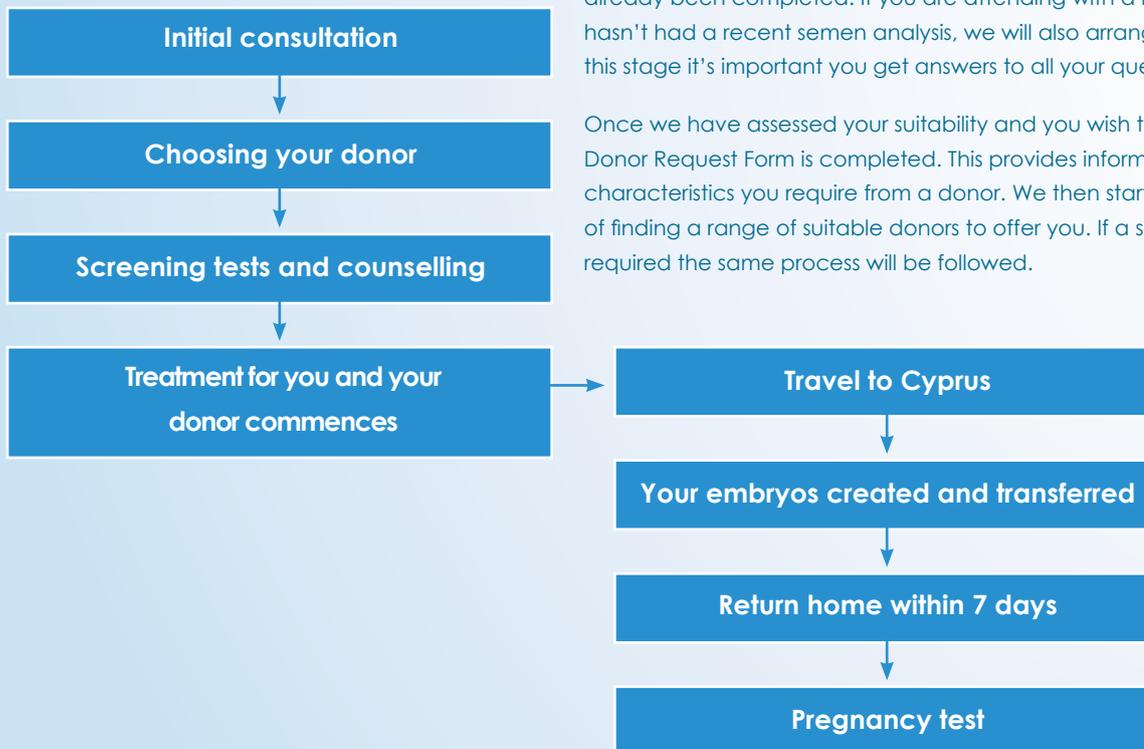


## Egg donation

Egg Donation is managed completely by our NHS Consultants and the UK support team, so you are in safe hands every step of the way. You can self refer as most of our patients do or you can be referred by your gynaecologist or GP.

The Programme Coordinator in the UK arranges an initial consultation with one of our Consultants. This includes reviewing your full medical history, discussing your requirements and some basic health checks. If you have been referred to us by your doctor, much of this work will have already been completed. If you are attending with a male partner who hasn't had a recent semen analysis, we will also arrange this for you. At this stage it's important you get answers to all your questions.

Once we have assessed your suitability and you wish to proceed, a Donor Request Form is completed. This provides information on the ideal characteristics you require from a donor. We then start the process of finding a range of suitable donors to offer you. If a sperm donor is required the same process will be followed.



Please see the Egg Donation factsheet in the back of this brochure





## PGD For family balancing

Cyprus IVF Centre carries out over 3,000 IVF/ICSI cycles per annum. Couples going abroad for IVF treatment may decide to have gender selection for family balancing.

Here at the UKCFA, we assist couples to prepare for an IVF cycle. If they wish to consider gender selection, this can be discussed directly with the Cyprus IVF Centre (CIC) after arrival in Cyprus. No other prior arrangement is necessary and there will be plenty of opportunity to discuss and arrange this.

UK Cypriot Fertility Association (UKCFA) and Cyprus IVF Centre (CIC) work closely together to coordinate all treatments. The initial part of the IVF treatment (stimulation of eggs) is carried out in the UK.

The final part (egg collection and embryo transfer) is completed in Cyprus. Once egg collection is completed and embryos are created then PGD can be carried out on suitable embryos. The Pre-Implantation Diagnosis part of your treatment is performed in the laboratory under strictly controlled conditions.



Please see the PGD factsheet in the back of the brochure.

“ We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your expert help in making our dream come true ”



## Donors

- **Mostly from Slavic backgrounds**
- **Young (up to the age of 30)**
- **Healthy**
- **Fertile**
- **Well educated**
- **Fully screened**
- **We also provide donors from African, Asian and Indian subcontinent backgrounds**

We offer donors who match your individual requirements as well as blood groups and are ready to start treatment at any time. We achieve this by constantly maintaining a pool of over 200 pre-screened donors. You can therefore plan your treatment and travel dates around a schedule which suits you.

Most donors are selected from applicants with a Slavic background. However there are also donors from African, Asian and the Indian subcontinent. They are often students or graduates of former Soviet Republics such as Russia, Ukraine and Moldova, who are living or studying in Turkey and Cyprus. All donors are young (up to 30 years of age), healthy, fertile, well educated, and fully screened.

Egg donors cannot donate more than three times and each egg donor undergoes an extensive selection process including; Interviews, a consultation with a Physician and a Gynaecologist, and Implications Counselling by a Counsellor and a Nurse.

Human Fertilisation and Embryology  
Authority (HFEA) Standards

All donors have a normal body weight (BMI), a healthy medical and genetic history (including family history). Normal hormone levels, absence of substance abuse, negative screening for HIV, HEP B and C and Cystic Fibrosis.



## Travel

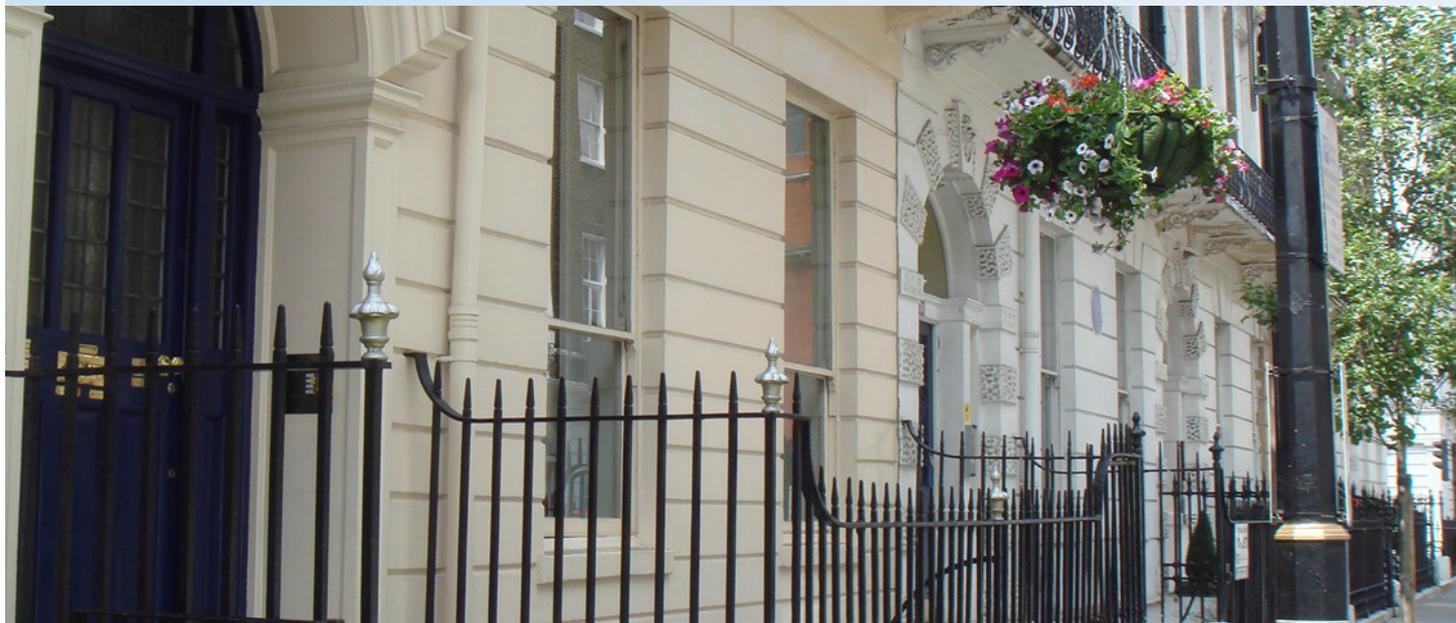
Travelling to and from Cyprus is very straightforward and we are within easy reach of many locations throughout Europe. With the island being a popular destination for holidaymakers there is plenty of accommodation to suit your requirements making your stay with us both comfortable and affordable.

Located on the east side of Cyprus, in the heart of the Mediterranean region, our comfortable, state of the art medical facility is located close to the island airports of Larnaca (Larnaca International Airport) in Southern Cyprus and (Ercan International Airport) in Northern Cyprus.



Cyprus clinic





## Clinics

UK locations are where you will receive most of your UK based care including your consultations, screening tests, scans and treatment plan, so it's important that you feel comfortable and relaxed. Consulting rooms are modern, well equipped and offer comfortable and discreet surroundings.

### London clinic

10 Harley Street, London. W1G 9PF

### Liverpool clinic

88 Rodney Street, Liverpool, Merseyside, L1 9AR

### Other clinic locations

Birmingham

Bradford

Bristol

Burton On Trent

Chester

Crewe

Gateshead

Glasgow

Hull

Ireland

Leeds

Sheffield



“ The consultation was a very positive experience for me, which inspired hope, where I thought there had been none ”



## Clinics

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### London

10 Harley Street, London. W1G 9PF



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