

SEMEN ANALYSIS

NOTE: If this collection is for an artificial insemination, ignore the following and contact our office for directions.

Semen Analysis is a routine part of every fertility evaluation. Your partner will collect an entire ejaculate in a clean, dry glass container and take it to our laboratory within one hour. Semen volume, count and motility will be measured under a microscope and we will get readings over an eight (8) hour period.

It is important to:

- 1. Call our lab at least one day in advance to schedule an appointment for a semen analysis.
- 2. <u>Abstain from sexual relations for 2 days prior to collection</u>, but no longer than 7 days.
- 3. Keep specimen at body temperature from time collected until your arrival at our lab. (Do not allow specimen to become too cold or too hot).
- 4. Bring the specimen to our lab within <u>one</u> hour of collection.
- 5. Have the specimen here before 9:00 am (lab opens at 7:30 am).

Occasionally two specimens are analyzed. These should be spaced at least one week apart.

Our office will file the insurance for this test for <u>most</u> insurance plans. We <u>cannot</u> file a claim for semen analysis to any of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield plans. If your insurance is a Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan, you have two options:

1. Have the sample tested in our lab. You will need to pay \$95.00 the day of testing, then file the insurance yourself on the man's insurance plan.

2. Take the sample to Clinical Pathology Laboratory at Bailey Square. They will file the insurance for you. Remember that ONLY the Bailey Square location of Clinical Pathology (CPL) will perform semen analysis. If you choose this option, you must stop by our office and obtain a CPL requisition prior to going to CPL Bailey Square. They are located at 1111 W. 34th Street, Suite 100 (phone 467-0559). CPL Bailey Square needs the sample there by 10:00am.