## **NO CHILDREN POLICY**

Due to the sensitive nature of infertility treatment as well as safety concerns, we ask that if you have children, you make alternative arrangements for childcare during your visits to our office. Our decision is based on the following reasons:

- A lack of personnel to safely care for your children while you are undergoing procedures or consultations.
- Caring for your child can distract you from understanding the information and instructions given to you at your visit.
- It can be emotionally difficult for childless couples to sit in a waiting room in which small children are present.
- Patients in the waiting room may have newly diagnosed pregnancies in their earliest stage of development. During that time in gestation, developing fetuses are vulnerable to viruses like rubella and chicken pox. These viruses are more prevalent in the pediatric age group. We wish to minimize the risk of such inadvertent exposures to our new mothers.

Our focus is helping people have families. As such, children are very important to us. For the reasons above, however, we cannot allow children to accompany you to your appointments. If you arrive for your appointment with a child or children, you will be asked to reschedule your appointment for a date in which you are able to obtain childcare.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

## I have read and agree to the above policy.

**Printed Name** 

Date of Birth

Patient Signature

Date