Sperm Banking before Vasectomy or for Vasectomy Reversal by Kevin_Glassman

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Are you one of the 600,000 plus men who will undergo a vasectomy in the year ahead or among the 10-15% of men seeking a vasectomy reversal? If you are, here is a word of advice. Consider sperm banking. And you have to do so now, because your sperm must be banked before the vasectomy or during your vasectomy reversal. It's really a like buying an insurance policy. Should there be regrets about undergoing a vasectomy procedure, then using the sperm bank can enable more children. Or, if your vasectomy reversal is not a success, using the sperm bank also enables you to have children.

For you, sperm banking may not necessarily be the right choice. Perhaps you are absolutely certain that you only want to have children naturally. Using sperm from a sperm bank means you and your partner will be willing to go through in-vitro fertilization (IVF). First off, this involves a lot of intervention for the female. Secondly IVF is a more expensive option than undergoing a vasectomy reversal. On the positive side, IVF procedures are safe, effective and there is less lag time to achieve pregnancy. For some positive of IVFmay be a further inducement to sperm bank before the vasectomy or during the vasectomy reversal.

If you a going to have a vasectomy, but there are lingering doubts about having children in the future, then your options are to either (a) put off having the vasectomy or (b) sperm bank. Using your sperm, that is stored at the sperm bank, may not even necessary. But sperm banking provides peace of mind because despite warnings from the vasectomy doctors that vasectomy should be regarded as permanent, 10-15% seek a vasectomy reversal.

In deciding whether to sperm bank during the vasectomy reversal, there are two questions to keep in mind. If, you and your partner are willing to move to a, â€œplan Bâ€• after a failed vasectomy reversal, then sperm banking during the vasectomy reversal is the right choice. The other factor to investigate is the health of the female partner. In some situations the woman can only achieve pregnancy by undergoing IVF (in-vitro fertilization). Some examples include a woman over 40, or a woman whose tubes are completely blocked. In such cases, the best course of action is for the vasectomised man to undergo sperm aspiration so that the women can undergo an IVF.

Even if sperm banking is not right for you, it merits serious consideration. Vasectomy seems like an easy decision since the procedure is relatively simple and usually covered by insurance. However, vasectomy is considered permanent because reversing a vasectomy is costly, involved and success is not assured. Those man who have banked their sperm before vasectomy and during vasectomy reversal may undergo IVF treatments. It's not a perfect solution, but sperm banking is a solid option.

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