

## IVF embryos approved for longer and longer storage times

More WA couples are getting permission to store their frozen embryos beyond the normal 10-year limit, figures show.

In-vitro fertilisation experts say the trend is likely to increase as more couples grapple with the dilemma of whether they will want more children later and others put off the difficult decision to discard their embryos.

The Reproductive Technology Council's latest annual report reveals some embryos are being kept on ice up to 15 years.

In the last financial year, it approved 30 applications for couples to store their embryos beyond 10 years – almost double the 16 approvals in 2011-12.

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