



Resources

For more information about infertility risk and fertility preservation options for children diagnosed with cancer:

- ▶ Visit SaveMyFertility.org
- ▶ Call the FERTLINE: **866-708-FERT (3378)**
- ▶ Visit the Oncofertility Consortium Web site: oncofertility.northwestern.edu
- ▶ Use the online Clinic/Center Finder to find the fertility preservation center closest to you: <http://oncofertility.northwestern.edu/find-a-clinic-or-center>
- ▶ Visit the Pediatric Oncofertility Research Foundation: www.porf.org

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Ask Your Doctor About... **FERTILITY PRESERVATION**



FOR CHILDREN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER



The Oncofertility Consortium® is an international, interdisciplinary initiative designed to explore the reproductive future of cancer survivors. To learn more about fertility preservation, please visit SaveMyFertility.org for additional resources.

To learn more about the Oncofertility Consortium, visit oncofertility.northwestern.edu.



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Introduction

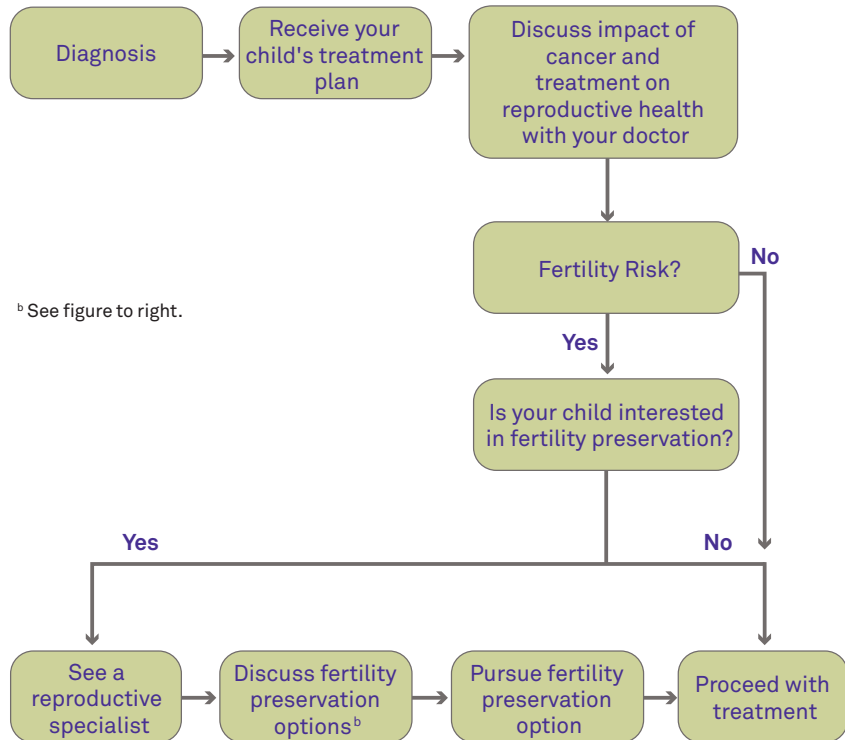
You may not be aware there are options for preserving fertility in your child diagnosed with cancer.

- ▶ You may be focused on cancer treatment and your child's immediate health.
- ▶ You may feel uncomfortable discussing issues of reproduction with your child.

Many adult survivors of childhood cancer feel fertility preservation and the ability to have a future family are important.

Understanding there may be fertility preservation options available and having your child see a reproductive specialist in a timely manner can improve their future quality of life.

Fertility Preservation—Where Does It Fit?



^b See figure to right.

Starting the Conversation

Discussing fertility preservation is important. These key points can help start the conversation:

- ▶ Cancer and cancer treatment may affect my child's fertility.
- ▶ Will my child's cancer or cancer treatment affect his/her fertility?

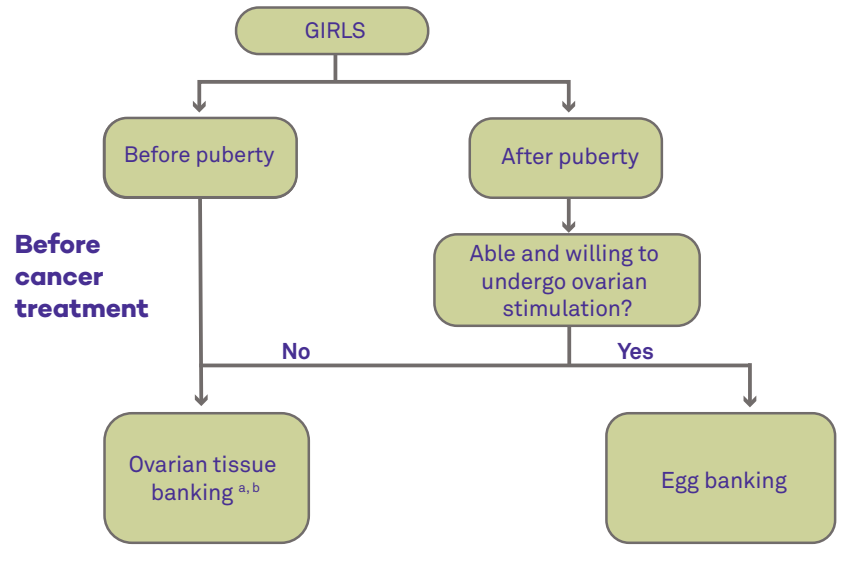
- ▶ What are the options to try to preserve my child's fertility before he/she begins cancer treatment (see figure below).
- ▶ Can you refer us to a fertility preservation specialist to discuss my child's options further?

Options for Fertility Preservation

- ▶ The following diagram gives a brief description of fertility preservation options available to children diagnosed with cancer before and after treatment.

- ▶ There are several resources listed on the reverse that can help you locate a fertility preservation specialist to discuss your child's options.

Fertility preservation options for children diagnosed with cancer



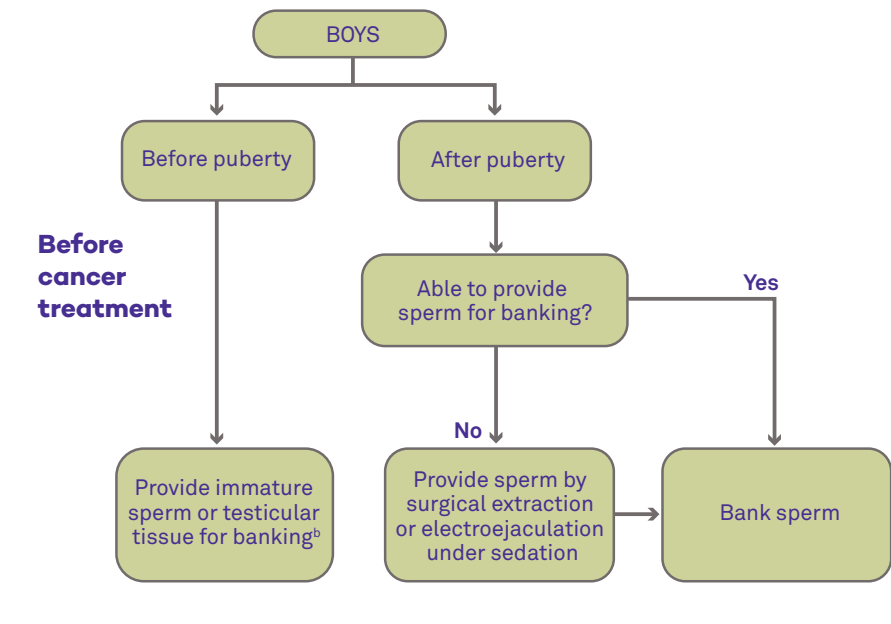
Before cancer treatment

During cancer treatment

Ovarian transposition and radiation shielding

^a Not an option if there is a high risk of ovarian metastases. Discuss with your doctor.

^b Experimental—only performed as part of a clinical study approved by an IRB.



Before cancer treatment

During cancer treatment

Radiation shielding of the testes