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## FERTILITY EVALUATIONS

Doctor Nudell evaluates many patients for male infertility and male reproductive health issues. This usually is done through an initial office consultation followed by laboratory or ultrasound testing depending on your specific issues.

The male infertility evaluation is generally less involved and less expensive than the typical female evaluation. However, below are some common questions or issues that can come up related to the male evaluation.

- While we will bill your insurance company, we do <u>not</u> have the ability to know whether your particular insurance plan will cover the male infertility evaluation (this includes lab testing done at outside labs as well).
- We cannot legally change billing codes or revise them during an infertility evaluation. It is very common practice for your insurance company to request office notes and tests and we are legally required to comply.
- Because of the complexity of fertility tests, we cannot discuss semen analyses, hormone testing or ultrasound tests over the phone. A follow up appointment will be made to be discussed in person.
- We offer ultrasound testing in the office as a convenience to patients. These are done at a much less expensive rate than ultrasound testing done elsewhere. There are often separate charges for ultrasound tests done within the office due to costs associated with ultrasound technicians and equipment.
- Cash Patients We will collect payment at the time of service. If you know that your insurance company will not cover infertility, please let us know in advance.
- Yolanda in our office is the best single contact person regarding billing, scheduling, general questions related to the fertility evaluation or Dr. Nudell's schedule.

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