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Surrogacy in Ukraine



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What are the laws

Ukraine is one of the few countries in the world, with stable surrogacy laws.

Commercial Surrogacy in Ukraine is legal, for married heterosexual couples since 2006.

Lotus is working in Ukraine since 2009, with over 300 births world wide.

Currently Lotus has over 48 ongoing pregnancies in Ukraine, most of them for Australians couples.

How do costs compare:

The full surrogate program, with egg donation, is about 43,000U USD and about 40,000USD with your embryos .

Payments are made in installments .

Most clients average two attempts leading to a positive result and a live birth with a surrogate and donor cycle.

Final compensations to surrogate is paid only after birth.

Option of not travelling to Ukraine before the birth

We do recommend visiting Ukraine to meet your surrogate, meet our team and get to know the clinic and your doctor.

If you can not come, Lotus can sign the surrogate contract on your behalf, with a notarized power of attorney .



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Embryo shipping

If your clinic is willing to release your embryos, we can ship them (hand carry) to Ukraine.

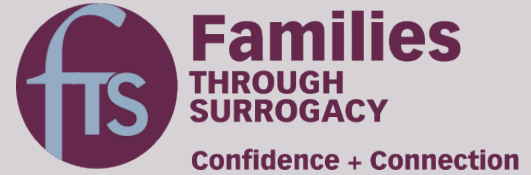
We have now had more than 6 ongoing pregnancies with embryos shipped from Australia.

Who are the surrogates and donors:

Lotus has a large database of surrogate and donors candidates. It takes an average of 4 weeks to match a surrogate to an IP.

- Surrogates are age 18-35;
- Have a healthy child or children;
- Absence of medical contraindications;
- Possess moral and psychological stability, responsibility and a great desire to assist a childless family;
- Absence of any criminal background;
- If a surrogate is married, her husband must give a written notarized consent for his wife's participation in the surrogacy program.
- The surrogate mother will not be genetically related to the child.

surrogate matching-how it is done: A good match is a great start



Parents inform Lotus of their criteria :

- Age of the surrogate
- Time between deliveries
- Surrogate Children's ages
- How far away from Kiev she lives
- What communication they wish to have with her during pregnancy / what kind of relationship they wish to have in the future

Surrogate fills up her profile:

- How much compensations she wish to receive
- Is she willing to carry twins
- What kind of communication/relationship she wishes to have with parents
- What's her marital status
- Who will support her during the pregnancy



Clinic policies on embryo transfer Day 3 or 5 embryo transfer/ How many embryos to transfer?

As a general rule *

- With donor cycles our clinic recommends to have the embryos grow till day 5
- With an older patient eggs, the day of the embryo transfer will be recommended after the doctor knows the eggs quality.
- With good quality embryos, doctor recommendation will be to transfer **only 1 embryo**
- Most surrogates who are informed of the potential risks, are choosing carry only singleton pregnancy

*These are broad guidelines, final decisions' are based on understanding of intended parents medical/fertility history, sperm and egg quality, as well as the quality of your embryos.

Communication with your surrogate during pregnancy

Most surrogates have smart phones and will communicate directly with parents via Viber with the help of Google translate.

Lotus can book Skype calls with a translator when surrogate comes to clinic for the monthly scan .

Where does the surrogate live:

During the pregnancy surrogate would live with her family at her home.

If surrogate is not from Kiev, intended parents will rent for an apartment for your surrogate from week 24-26 of pregnancy in Kiev till birth.

Lotus coordinators are in contact with the surrogate on a daily basis

Choice of birth hospital

Private birth at a public hospital :

- Price includes Room for surrogate and one of the parents
- Price includes NICU services
- Options for birth packages that include upgraded rooms for parents and surrogate

Birth at a private hospital:

- paid separately for each given service
- No cap for NICU services
- Private rooms for surrogate and parents

Why do I need an agency?



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- Recruiting a surrogate
- Recruiting an egg donor
- Organizing the program
- Support & advocate on behalf of the family
- Organization of birth
- Helps with translations (included in Lotus service)
- Supervise the surrogate & facilitate communication between IP & surrogate
- Legal services before and after birth.
- Only with an agency, you can see the donor photo. Clinics are not showing donors photos.
- Making all the coordination's / Logistic issues with clinic: appointments for surrogate, daily contact with surrogate, escorting the surrogates and donors to all medical checkups, real time updates from the clinic in English.
- Helps IP's with paperwork after birth.
- Support of an online community.
- Helps you with accommodation and transportation in Kiev.