

# Retrograde ejaculation

# **Patient Preparation**

- You should abstain from ejaculation (masturbation or sex) for a minimum of 2 days and a maximum of 3 days prior to collection of the post-ejaculatory urine.
- You will begin taking bicarbonate buffer tablets by mouth every 6 hour starting the day before your appointment at the Fertility Center of Miami.

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### Please follow this schedule:

6:00 a.m: Take one tablet (650 mg) of sodium bicarbonate by mouth 12:00 p.m: Take one tablet (650 mg) of sodium bicarbonate by mouth 6:00 p.m: Take one tablet (650 mg) of sodium bicarbonate by mouth 12:00 a.m: Take one tablet (650 mg) of sodium bicarbonate by mouth 6:00 a.m: Take one tablet (650 mg) of sodium bicarbonate by mouth

# On the day of Appointment at The Fertility Center of Miami

- 1. Urinate approximately 1 hour prior to your scheduled appointment.
- 2. First, you will masturbate and collect your semen sample in the provided cup.
- 3. Next, you will urinate into a separate collection cup and deliver both collection cups to the laboratory.

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