

PHYSICIAN TOOLS -- Primary Assessment for Patients with a Fertility Concern

In normal fertile couples, the chance of conception averages 20% per cycle. After 1 year, 85-90% of couples will attain pregnancy.

Infertility may be suspected in couples where: A woman under 35 years of age is not pregnant after 12 months of unprotected intercourse; A women 35-39 years of age is not pregnant after 6-12 months of unprotected intercourse. By age 40, a women's chance of pregnancy is less than 5% per cycle.

Infertility is equally likely to be caused by female factors or male factors. However, all women eventually experience age-related fertility decline. Therefore, couples who present to primary providers with fertility concerns should be assessed without delay.



