

STATES OF JERSEY



IN VITRO FERTILISATION (IVF) FUNDING (P.20/2024) – CHILDREN’S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Presented to the States on 9th April 2024
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CHILDREN’S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT (CRIA)

PART 1: SCREENING

Name and title of Duty Bearer:	Deputy Lucy Stephenson
Type of Duty Bearer: (Minister, Elected Member or States Assembly Body)	Elected Member
Assessment completed by (if not completed by duty bearer):	
Date:	8/4/24

<p>1) Name and brief description of the proposed decision</p> <p>The subject of your CRIA may be a proposed law, policy or proposition and in accordance with the Law is referred to in this template as the ‘decision’</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the problem or issue the decision is trying to address? • Do children experience this problem differently from adults? <p>IVF Funding. To improve funding for IVF treatment, removing the current means-tested funding model which is outdated and set at a level which is so low no one has ever qualified for it. The proposition aims to introduce funding at a level which provides a service which meets NICE clinical guidelines, reducing the financial and related psychological burden on those who need treatment and often report having to turn to debt, borrowing from family and friends and choosing between owning a home and having fertility treatment. Children are not impacted as the policy is aimed at adults.</p>
<p>2) Which groups of children and young people are likely to be affected?</p> <p>Groups of children could include early years, primary or secondary education; young adults; children with additional learning needs; disabled children; children living in poverty; children from particular ethnic backgrounds; migrants; refugees; care experienced children and LGBTQ+ children</p> <p>None.</p>
<p>3) What is the likely impact of the proposed decision on children and on their rights?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify any potential positive OR negative impacts and include indirect impacts on children and their rights as described in the UNCRC • Will different groups of children be affected differently by this decision? <p>None.</p>
<p>4) Is a full Children’s Rights Impact Assessment required?</p> <p>If you have identified impacts on children and their rights, a full CRIA should be completed. If no impacts are identified then a Full CRIA is not required, but please explain your rationale and how you reached this conclusion</p> <p>No. No impacts on children have been identified as although the proposition relates to those having children and their right to pursue having a family, you cannot extend rights to children who do not yet exist.</p>