Being a California Cryobank donor means being the best!

1) ONLINE APPLICATION
Basic information, such as Age (must be 19–38), Height, Weight, Ethnicity, Education History, and Medical History (applicant and immediate family)
- Age, height, weight, donor/family medical history, or attrition does not meet our standards.

2) FIRST OFFICE VISIT
First semen sample collected for assessment and test freeze
Detailed medical and social information reviewed
- Donor has poor semen quality (count, motility, morphology) or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.

3) SECOND OFFICE VISIT
Second semen sample collected for assessment
Program orientation (consent forms; detailed review of Extended Donor Profile - extensive social and medical information; family medical history)
- Donor has poor semen quality (count, motility, morphology) or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.

4) PHYSICAL EXAMINATION
A California Cryobank approved physician provides a complete physical examination
- Physician determines donor to be unsuitable.

5) ADDITIONAL TESTING
Psychological assessment & educational consultation
MMPI/PAI screening
Infectious disease testing³
Blood panel²
Criminal background check
Urinalysis
Third complete semen analysis
- Donor does not pass psychological assessment, tests positive for infectious diseases, or has poor semen quality (count, motility, morphology).

6) GENETIC EVALUATION
Extensive genetic testing⁴ is performed
In-depth family history risk assessment by a licensed genetic counselor
- Genetic test results or donor/family medical history does not meet our standards.

7) FINAL REVIEW & APPROVAL
Donor information is reviewed by our Medical Director, Genetics Department, Laboratory, and Donor Department for final approval
- Donor may be determined unsuitable by any of our professionals reviewing their files.

ONGOING TESTING
Once approved, donors repeat ongoing testing.

Every Donation: Semen assessment, review any changes in health or sexual partners
Monthly: Test for Gonorrhea and Chlamydia
Every 3 Months: Infectious disease testing and review of updated medical and social information
Every 6 Months: Physical examination and Medical Director evaluation/approval

¹ = reasons donor may not qualify
1. HIV, CMV, HBV, HCV, HTLV, syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, WNV
2. CBC, general chemistry panel, ABO/Rh typing, hemoglobin eval
3. Testing performed as of May 2018: Chromosome analysis and carrier screening for at least 283 genetic disorders including cystic fibrosis, spinal muscular atrophy, Tay Sachs disease, sickle cell anemia, and thalassemias.
4. Includes testing for 11 different categories of genetic disorders including cystic fibrosis, spinal muscular atrophy, Tay Sachs disease, sickle cell anemia, and thalassemias.