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Kiran Infertility Center- Newsletter July '12

Dr Kiran & Dr Samit at COGI, Singapore

Dr. Kiran Sekhar and Dr. Samit Sekhar were invited as Chairperson/Speaker and Speaker respectively at the 16th COGI Congress held in Singapore, July 19-22, 2012.

The COGI Congresses are characterized as the gathering place for worldwide opinion leaders in the fields of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Infertility, in which our Doctors are being counted. Their valuable contribution as such to the academic standard of the Congress assists in placing COGI as one of the leading congresses in our field .



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The 16th World Congress on Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology & Infertility (COGI)



Employee Focus- Celeste

Celeste is a passionate, optimistic & dedicated woman who takes up responsibilities with utmost enthusiasm. She makes an excellent donor coordinator and has signed up a lot of women for our egg donation program.

She see's to it that she completes her tasks and assignments in time. She has a great amount of perseverance to achieve her goals. In her own words, "As how I strive for perfection in things, I expect the same from others as well. If things go out of control or go way out of track, I go an extra mile and contribute my efforts, in getting things done in time."

We vouch for that, and that is why, she is the "Employee of the Month"!

KIC is proud to announce the addition of a new Case Manager to handle Europe and Asia— Celeste!



Donor Focus: Erin

Erin is our donor of the month. She is an optical lab technician who lives in Washington State. Throughout school she excelled in many areas including band, she was the top of her section with the clarinet; She acted in a couple plays and also worked behind the scenes with her drama class; and she was on the varsity swim team all through high school and the Captain of her swim team in 11th and 12th grade. Erin loves the outdoors and is very artistic in many fields. She enjoys photography, making cakes and basically anything crafty. She graduated from both High School and College with highest honors.

She has always had a passion to help other people/organizations. In school she helped organize a fundraiser for the Children's Hospital in Seattle, WA. She first looked into the donor program because family is very important to her and she wanted to be able to help a couple's dream of having a baby come true.



Interesting Coincidence

Dr Kiran Sekhar celebrated her birth day on 26th July. She is our medical Director and the main reason behind the Success of our IVF and Surrogacy program. Her untiring hard work, skill and dedication has brought happiness and joy to thousands of infertile couples from across the globe.



Incidentally, she also shares her birthday with Louis Brown, the first IVF baby!!







"We are so glad we decided to go ahead with the surrogacy process at Kiran Infertility Center and will always be grateful to everyone involved in making our wildest dreams come true!"

Parent Focus-Lea & Mike

Lea & Mike got together on Halloween in 2000 and after four years of living in the UK they moved to Germany and got married in 2004. They wanted to start a family straight away but things just didn't work out that way. After four years of trying She had to have an operation which took away the option of having biological children the natural way. The couple first considered adoption and were also accepted as prospective adoptive parents, but the chances were very slim in the area. This is how they decided that surrogacy was the way for them.

They always had very strong links to India, so it was clear from the beginning that this India was the place they would want to go for surrogacy. One of their friends was on lookout for prospective clinics to undergo Surrogacy in India and finally recommended Kiran Infertility Center because his overall impression was that the clinic was very professional and helpful. A call with Dr. Samit did push up things in motion. Almost exactly one year later they returned to Hyderabad for the birth of their two beautiful sons!!!

According to Lea and Ben "Life has not been the same ever since, Jack and Ben have enriched our lives in so many ways and we are so happy that we made that call more than three years ago. As we could not use my eggs, the clinic selected an amazing lady as our egg donor and we're absolutely stunned at how perfectly this has worked out. I've actually lost count of how many times we've been told how much the boys look like me or even my parents!

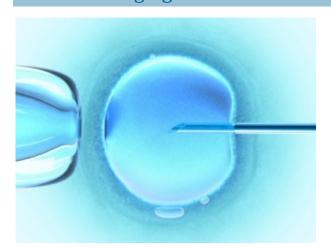
Jack and Ben are nearly 2 and a half years old now - they are little chatterboxes and amaze us every day with the way they see the world. Jacky is the most conscientious 2-year-old you will ever meet in your life. He is also the older one by two minutes, so he obviously sees himself as the big brother and keeps reprimanding Ben and explaining the world to him. Benny is a free spirit who comes up with funny new sounds every day and loves nothing more than getting as messy as possible. Well, maybe fire engines and cake. "

KIC at the SF Pride!



KIC attended the San Francisco Pride festival this past month for the first time as an exhibitor. This was a new opportunity for KIC to introduce themselves to the LGBT community in the US. Alexis Thomas the US based Case Manager for KIC managed the booth over the 2 day festival. The pride festivities attracted an estimated 750k attendees on Sunday alone. The booth was an opportunity for pride attendees to get their questions answered directly by a clinic employee. It was also an opportunity to meet potential clients who have already inquired about our services and lived in the San Francisco Bay area.

A Challenging Case:



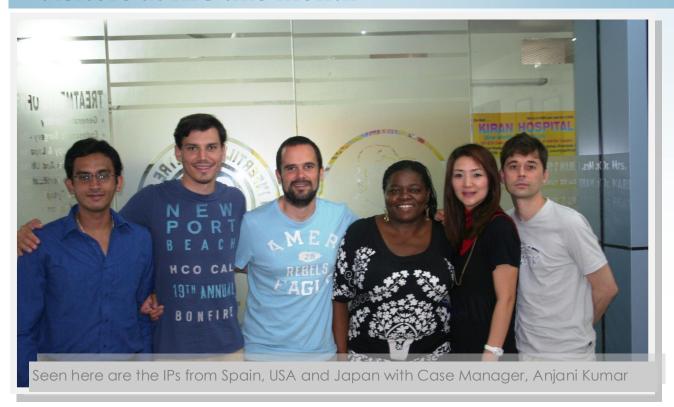
Mrs C is a 30 year old female who conceived twins naturally 2 years ago. However during the 8th month of pregnancy she had a uterine rupture and had to have emergency surgery. 2 months later she was diagnosed with Infective Endocarditis and had to undergo a double valve replacement therapy, due to artificial heart valves in place she has to take penicillin as an antibiotic, Aspirin and warfarin as anticoagulant on a daily basis. She is also a case of Hypothyroidism using Eltroxin 75 mcg/day.

Since ovarian stimulation requires for the female partner to be put on comparatively large doses of Estrogen, there was a risk albeit a minor one of bleeding disorders. She was a high risk case for undergoing General Anesthesia as well because of Artificial valves in the heart. A 2D echo test was done to assess cardiac function which showed Moderate cardiac function. Upon getting a green signal from the Consultant Cardiologist, we began Controlled Ovarian Hyper-stimulation for her.

We had to monitor the ovarian stimulation strictly because even though we had to retrieve good number of eggs from her. We had to make sure she did not have even a remote chance of ovarian Hyper-stimulation because of her complicated medical History.

A total of 6 oocytes were retrieved. ICSI was done using the sperm from the male partner and 3 embryos were transferred into a surrogate mother on day 3 at 8 celled stage. 12 days later the initial Beta HCG test was positive. We await an ultrasound in 7 days to check for her gestational sac. We wish the couple the very best in their journey to parenthood!

Visitors at KIC this month



Statistics this month:

20 New Intended Parents joined our program.

5 Births

21 International Intended Parents visited KIC

6 genetic samples shipped

20 Caucasian donors inducted.

5 Indian donors inducted

25 embryo transfers carried out resulting in 15 pregnancies.

Visit by the British High Commission Officials

It was an honor having officials from the UK High Commission, Delhi visit our facility this month. They had an informal meeting with the Doctors and Management. This makes them the 3rd visiting officials after officials from USA and Canadian offices in the past.

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