



Kettering Reproductive Medicine Transitioning to UC Health Center for Reproductive Health - Kettering

FAQs for Internal Use

What is happening?

Kettering Medical Center and Kettering Physician Network are transitioning Kettering Reproductive Medicine to University of Cincinnati Physicians Company, LLC, to become part of its Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. The practice will be called UC Health Center for Reproductive Health – Kettering, and this agreement will go into effect by October 1, 2018.

Why is this happening?

Kettering Reproductive Medicine has been providing full-service fertility care to support families in our community for over 20 years. This transition combines two of the top reproductive programs in Ohio and formally brings UC Health’s advanced resources and technology to our community.

Why was UC Health’s reproductive medicine program chosen for this transition?

UC Health has one of the top reproductive programs in Ohio, maintains state-of-the-art laboratory facilities, and runs a leading medical education program in reproductive medicine. This builds upon Kettering Medical Center’s existing relationship with UC Health in the areas of maternal-fetal medicine, neonatal intensive care, gynecology-oncology, and a shared embryologist and lab director for reproductive medicine. This transition positions the reproductive program for growth while enhancing reproductive care for patients in our community.

Will reproductive health services still be available to our community?

Yes. UC Health Center for Reproductive Health – Kettering will maintain its current location on the campus of Kettering Medical Center in suite 4100 in the POB. This ensures reproductive medicine services will remain available for the patients in our community.

What will the name of the practice be?

UC Health Center for Reproductive Health – Kettering.

How can the practice be contacted? Will the phone number be the same?

The practice will maintain its current location on the campus of Kettering Medical Center in suite 4100 in the POB. It can be reached using the same contact information for continuity. The phone number is (937) 395-8444 and the fax number is (937) 395-8450.

What will happen to the records and genetic materials of current patients?

Patients can trust that their records and genetic materials will remain secure. Records and genetic materials will transfer under the guardianship of UC Health’s Reproductive Endocrinology to a specialized storage facility. Kettering Medical Center and Kettering Physician Network will retain a copy of patient records for continuity of care. Patients who have genetic material will receive a formal communication through mail.

What will happen to monetary deposits that patients have made?



For patients who have made a monetary deposit toward a procedure or service, the practice will still honor those terms after October 1 under UC Health.

Will insurance coverage for the new program under UC Health be the same?

We anticipate coverage being very similar, but recognize there may be slight differences based on each individual's insurance plan.

What reproductive services will remain at the Kettering location?

Endocrine lab testing and andrology services (semen analysis, sperm freezing, sperm storage).

What services will be offered at UC Health's West Chester campus?

Endocrine lab testing and andrology services (semen analysis, sperm freezing, sperm storage), in vitro fertilization (IVF), embryo and egg freezing, embryo and egg storage.

Will the Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) program continue?

Yes. UC Health will continue to offer a comprehensive pathway for women with PCOS of all ages, including consultation, treatment, ongoing management, and necessary referrals.

Will the Oncology Fertility program continue?

Yes, UC Health will continue to offer this service. Cancer patients can preserve fertility by freezing and storing their sperm or eggs prior to starting cancer treatment to later be used in combination with fertility treatments.

How will this affect medical records in Epic?

UC Health currently maintains automated records of care on Epic, the same system KHN uses for scheduling and billing. This change will move records of care online.

Will current Kettering Medical Center staff at Kettering Reproductive Medicine be offered jobs with UC Health's program?

Employees of Kettering Reproductive Medicine will be offered job opportunities at UC Health, as well as have the ability to pursue other job opportunities within Kettering Health Network if they so choose.

How will this transition affect residency programs?

The practice is joining a broader panel of physicians and become a collaborative teaching/residency location for the university. UC Health works with other residency programs and anticipates working with other residencies in this location as well. Residents will continue to rotate with REI physicians at Kettering Reproductive Medical Center, and may elect to rotate at UC Health West Chester.

Who is the contact for further questions?

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