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**This week's package, embargoed until:
11a.m. (ET) Tuesday, January 20, 2015 is:**

“INCREASINGLY COMMON I-V-F PROCEDURE DOESN'T IMPROVE PREGNANCY OUTCOMES”

Radio script (TRT:60)

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VO: WITH A CONVENTIONAL IN VITRO FERTILIZATION OR I-V-F PROCEDURE, FERTILIZATION OF AN EGG OCCURS NATURALLY BUT OUTSIDE THE BODY. THERE'S ANOTHER TYPE OF I-V-F INCREASINGLY BEING USED WHEN THE EGG CAN'T BE FERTILIZED THAT WAY, USUALLY BECAUSE OF MALE INFERTILITY PROBLEMS. A NEW STUDY EXAMINED WHEN, WHY AND HOW OFTEN THIS ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURE WAS USED COMPARED WITH CONVENTIONAL I-V-F.

“Intracytoplasmic sperm injection is a procedure where a single sperm is injected in an egg to attempt fertilization.”

VO: DR. SHEREE (Sherry) BOULET (Boo-Lay) FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND CO-AUTHORS EXAMINED THE ICK-SEE PROCEDURES THAT USED ONLY FRESH EMBRYOS, NOT FROZEN, FROM 1996 THRU 2012. THEY COMPARED ICK-SEE OUTCOMES TO CONVENTIONAL I-V-F PROCEDURES. THEY ALSO LOOKED AT WHETHER OR NOT MALE INFERTILITY WAS PRESENT IN THESE CASES. THE STUDY APPEARS IN JAMA, JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

“ICSI use doubled over the study period. The use of ICSI did not improve reproductive outcomes and live birth rates when compared with conventional IVF regardless of whether or not there was a diagnosis of male factor infertility.”

CATHERINE DOLF, THE JAMA REPORT.

