What Is A Donor Conceived Person?
A donor conceived person (DCP) is a person who was conceived and born as a result of eggs, sperm, or embryos that were provided by a third party.

What Issues do DCP & Their Families Face?

- Lack of regulation of the fertility industry has harmed DCP, gamete recipients, and donors.

- Dozens to 100+ offspring may be created from the same egg or sperm donor, leading to psychological harm and potential accidental incest.

- Many DCP have a strong and urgent need to know the identity of the donor.

- A lack of educational counseling prior to donation or acquisition of gametes.

- Coercive and deceptive advertising practices targeting debt-ridden young adults to become donors.

- Lack of verification of donors' medical, social, and educational history.

- FDA lacks authority other than to regulate the spread of STDs through donor gametes.

Who We Are
U.S. Donor Conceived Council (USDCC) is the first volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit founded and led by donor conceived people to advocate on behalf of donor conceived people.

What We Do
We educate others about the lived experiences of DCP; advocate for reforms to the assisted reproduction industry that further our best interests; and assist in developing and passing legislation that protects the rights of DCP.

How To Help

- Learn about the experiences of DCP, parents of DCP, and donors.


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What Do DCP Think?

92% support a limit on offspring per donor; 83% say it should be <10.

79% want to form a close relationship with siblings from the same donor.

94% believe all DCP should have the option to know the donor’s identity.

75% think anonymous gamete donation is unethical.

72% worry they don’t have a complete/accurate family health history.

92% believe the assisted reproduction industry has a responsibility to act in the best interests of DCP.

Source: 2020 We Are Donor Conceived survey

Is There a Solution?


USDCC hopes additional states will enact legislation using, and improving upon, Colorado’s Law.

Who Supported the Colorado Law?

- Major U.S. sperm and egg banks
- LGBTQIA+ advocates
- ART industry attorneys
- Mental health professionals
- Expert legal scholars
- Egg donor advocates
- Adoptee advocates
- DCP, donors, and recipient parents

The Colorado Law

- Prospective application to donations made on or after January 1, 2025
- Permits DCP to learn the donor’s identity at 18
- Enforceable limit of 25 families per donor, with no limit on the number of children born within each family
- Periodic medical and contact information updates from donors
- Permanent record retention
- Written educational materials provided to potential donors and recipients regarding DCP needs

Col. Gov. Jared Polis signs the bill into law.