

Artificial Reproductive Technologies  
Feminist and Cultural Perspectives  
Questions for Consideration

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I) Feminist Questions

- 1) Dehumanization of reproduction?
- 2) Exploitation of women?
- 3) Patriarchy and reproduction?
- 4) Subordinate status of women?
- 5) The nature of motherhood?
- 6) Control and profit from the processes?
- 7) Definitions of family?

II) Potential opportunities from a feminist perspective?

- 1) Potential creation of alternative families?
- 2) Children in the face of infertility?

III) Cultural Questions

- 1) Eurocentric models of families?
- 2) Outdated and rigid models of families?
- 3) Access/ Barriers?
- 4) Cultural and Religious Values?
- 5) Potential for exploitation?
- 6) Power and Control?
- 7) Commodification of Children?

8) Choice of Children's characteristics and what this means for ethnic groups?

9) Communication Issues?

10) Resource allocation questions?

IV) Potential Opportunities?

1) Cultural imperatives toward reproduction?

2) Multi-cultural explorations of the meaning of family?

3) Cross-Cultural dialogue and discussion?