

Surrogacy Timeline

-  Meet with us – in person, via Zoom or phone
-  Sign with our agency
-  Choose a fertility clinic /reproductive endocrinologist
-  Select an egg donor (if you need one)
-  You are matched with a surrogate
-  Medical & psychological screening is done
-  Contracts are signed and escrow account is funded
-  Clinic puts a calendar together and IVG cycle starts
-  Your embryo is transferred to your GS
-  Pregnancy is confirmed – Now you and your surrogate watch your baby grow!
-  Agency oversees all details – appointments, testing, payment, etc.
-  Lawyer and the agency deal with parental rights and hospital arrangements
-  Your baby is born (YAY!)
-  Agency assists in obtaining birth certificate, passports and travel documents
-  You arrive home with your new baby

Potential Costs for Intended Parents



Non-medical Expenses for Gestational Surrogate

Surrogate's Base Fee Compensation Paid in 11 installments starting with a confirmed pregnancy	First time CA, NV, OR GS: \$55,000–\$65,000+ ; Other states GS: \$45,000–\$55,000 ; Experienced CA, NV, OR GS: \$65,000+ ; Other states Experienced GS: \$55,000–\$70,000+
Monthly Allowance	\$200–\$400 per month to cover most expenses
Embryo Transfer Fee	\$750–\$2000 per cycle fee varies depending upon surrogates work & childcare status
Maternity Clothing	\$750–singleton, \$1000–multiples
Travel To medical evaluation, embryo transfer, flights, mileage, hotel	\$2000–\$5000 for entire pregnancy - average
Car Travel over 75 miles round trip	\$.655 per mile per MapQuest or the current IRS Standard
Life insurance annual premium \$350,000 GS policy, \$100,000 IP policy	\$900 average for 18 months; \$500K for GS; \$100K for IPs in the event of GS death
Medical insurance for GS This will need to be discussed in greater depth since there are different options	GSs with insurance typically get a bonus but it is uncommon to have this. GSs without insurance – IPs will pay for insurance ideally through ACA. Average \$15,000 – \$25,000 . If not available IPs only other option is to purchase a Lloyd's of London policy – average \$26–30,000 for a singleton
Lost Wages For evaluation and any doctor-ordered bed rest. Also 6-8 weeks post-birth	\$3000 – \$4000 average for entire pregnancy (after tax earnings) can vary per the surrogate's work situation
Lost Wages For spouse / companion – for medical evaluation, transfer, birth	\$1500 average for entire pregnancy
Housekeeping For doctor-ordered bed rest	\$100 per week starting at 30 weeks for the comfort of your surrogate, earlier for twins
Childcare For doctor-ordered bed rest	Maximum \$100 per day if required
Criminal Background Check	\$175 (done by actual retired detectives – not just an online service)
Psychological Evaluation	\$600 – \$2000 depending upon your choice of clinic and their requirements
Psychological Counseling	Up to \$1500 but not required unless requested; very rarely is it used

Medical Expenses for Gestational Surrogate

Initial Medical Screening for GS & partner	\$1500 – \$4000 depending upon your clinic choice. Paid directly to clinic
Laboratory/blood screening for GS & partner	\$1500 – \$3500 depending upon your clinic choice. Paid directly to clinic
IVF costs paid directly to clinic*	\$15,000 – \$35,000 per cycle depending upon your clinic choice. Paid directly to clinic
Frozen IVF cycle and Medications	\$5000 – \$10,000 average per cycle
Medications for GS paid directly to pharmacy	\$1500 per cycle average - can be less
Local Monitoring Costs for surrogate	\$2000 – \$3000 average per cycle
Mock Cycle Fee paid to GS	\$500 but most clinics do not require or do these any more
Drop / Cancelled Cycle paid to GS	\$400 once medications have started
CVS or Amniocentesis or Invasive Procedures	\$750 for 1 st needle insertion, \$250 each additional insertion per procedure
Selective Reduction or Termination	\$750 for 1 st needle insertion, \$250 each additional insertion per procedure
Multiples	\$5000 / additional child (could be higher based on surrogate)
C-section	\$3000 average (could be higher based on surrogate)
Loss of tubes, loss of uterus / loss of ovaries, complete hysterectomy	\$2000 / \$5000

Additional Expenses for Intended Parents

Medications for Intended Mother / Egg Donor	\$3000 – \$6000 per cycle average
Attorney Fees for consult & drawing contracts	\$2000 – \$6000 depending upon lawyer, state the GS lives in & choice of lawyer
Surrogate Mother's Independent Attorney Fee	\$1000 – \$2000 depending upon the state where the GS lives
Attorney Fees to establish parental rights and court pleadings	\$1500 – \$7000 depending upon lawyer and state where the GS will give birth
Review for GS for establishing parental rights for IPs	\$500 – \$2000 depending upon lawyer and state where the GS lives
Court Filing Fees	\$600 – \$2000 depending upon state
Insurance Management Fees	\$400 for GS insurance specialist to review current policy to determine if it can be used for the pregnancy, \$850 to enroll GS in ACA and ensure policy stays active during the pregnancy
Escrow Fees	\$1000 set up and maintenance fee. Special discounted rate for ORM IPs with Brenner & Buchner Surrogacy Escrow Services.
Post Birth Insurance mandatory for all clients	International IPs – most IPs pay out of pocket – avg. \$6K or some IPs have been able to use ACA insurance for newborns, if NICU is needed, costs can be quite high and hard to determine at this time
Agency fee paid out at various points in the surrogacy process in 4 payments Installments	\$25,000 - \$35,000 (depending upon IP residence) in 4 installments; \$6,000 average additional fee for CA, OR or NV surrogates; \$6000 average additional for twins

*If you will need an egg donor, the additional expenses will include legal, egg donor fee, egg donor agency fee, medical evaluation, insurance, travel, and medications for the egg donor. On average this adds about \$20,000 – \$40,000 to the costs mentioned above... If comparing costs between agencies make sure ALL of these items are included since they are considered standard surrogacy fees. ALL COSTS ARE IN U.S. DOLLARS. PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.