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Leading New York City provider of fertility services, the Center for Human Reproduction (CHR), holds first Pregnancy Reunion Party on Wednesday October 18, 2006, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at CHR and Le Charlot for women with aged ovaries who conceived after treatment with dehydroepiandrosterone(DHEA).

Researchers at New York's Center for Human Reproduction (CHR), at 21 East 69th Street in Manhattan, reported in 2004 that DHEA supplementation rejuvenates ovarian function in older ovaries. A first written report by the CHR team appeared in medical literature in 2005 (*Increased oocyte production after treatment with dehydroepiandrosterone; Fertility Sterility 2005; 84:756.e1-3*). Since then, CHR researchers have reported results on over 100 women treated with DHEA, and established that long-term DHEA supplementation, to a statistically significant degree, increases egg and embryo numbers with in vitro fertilization (IVF). DHEA also improves egg and embryo quality, increases the number of chromosomally normal embryos available for embryo transfer, increases pregnancy rates overall, increases pregnancy rates with IVF and shortens time to conception in women who were otherwise at the end of their reproductive life. ***What makes pregnancy success in these patients so remarkable is that, most of them, had, prior to consulting with CHR, been advised that their only remaining chance of conception was through egg donation.*** CHR has, in these patients, so far, established over **30** pregnancies, amongst which, **19** are either already delivered, or in advanced stages of gestation, and this included three twin pregnancies.

On, Wednesday, October 18, 2006, between 3:00-6:00 PM, CHR will host a celebratory gathering for these patients at our medical center and the adjacent *Le Charlot* restaurant. **Participating patients are aware of media presence in this event and have given their consents to be accessible for interviews**, motivated by their own personal experiences and the fact that women with aging ovaries only have a limited time span to pursue DHEA rescue of their ovaries.

CHR's DHEA investigators, David Barad, M.D. and Norbert Gleicher, M.D. (Medical Director) will also be available for interviews at this event.

For registration to the event, and for any contact requests with either patients or investigators outside of the event, please contact VALERIE at vk@thechr.com or by phone at 212-994 4400.

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