

CURRICULUM VITAE

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I-Position:

Head of Donation Clinic at Avicenna Infertility Clinic, Tehran, Iran.

II-Education:

1979-1986 B.A. of Sociology, Tehran University of Social Sciences, Tehran, Iran.
(1979-1982 Universities were closed because of Cultural Revolution)

III-Licensure & Certification:

- 1.** Member of scientific committee in the seminar on " Genetics: Law, Ethics, and Psychology". Tehran. Iran. Nov 10-11, 2010.
- 2.** Member of scientific committee in the "Fertility Preservation Congress". Tehran. Iran. Jan 13-14, 2010.
- 3.** Participation in the workshop on "Sexual and Sleep Disorders". Tehran. Iran. Jun 2009.
- 4.** Attendance in the 25th Annual Meeting of ESHRE. Amsterdam. Netherlands. 28 June-1July. 2009.
- 5.** Member of scientific committee in the "Infertility and Insurance" seminar. Tehran. Iran Jan 2009.
- 6.** Participation in the symposium on Psychological Aspects of Infertility. Avicenna Research Institute. Dec 2008.
- 7.** Participation in the 1st National Congress on Endometriosis. Tehran. Iran. 12-13 Nov, 2008.
- 8.** Participation in the workshop on "how to evaluate a scientific paper?". Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Nov 12th, 2008.
- 9.** Attendance in the Conjoint Annual Meeting of MEFS & STGO. Hammamat, Tunisia. Oct 2008.
- 10.** Participation in "The 2nd International Congress of Medical Ethics in Iran". Tehran. Iran. Apr 2008.
- 11.** Participation at the conference entitled" Controversies in ART (Multiple Pregnancies". Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Feb 2008.
- 12.** Participation at Prenatology Workshop. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Jan 2008.
- 13.** Participation and lecture presentation at the conference on Health Evaluation in Gamete and Embryo Donation. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Jan 2008.

- 14.**Participation and lecture presentation in the workshop on the “New View Point of Health Policy Makers Toward Abortion”. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Dec 2007.
- 15.**Participation at 7th International Congress on Obstetrics and Gynecology. Tehran. Iran. Nov 2007.
- 16.**Lecture presentation in the workshop on Medical, Legal and Ethical Aspects of Abortion. Tehran. Iran. Nov 2007.
- 17.**Lecturer & member of scientific committee at Interdisciplinary Seminar on Surrogacy. Tehran. Iran. Oct 2007.
- 18.**Participation and lecture certificate for the conference on “The Importance of Confidentiality in Gamete & Embryo Donation”. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Oct. 16, 2007.
- 19.** Participation in the conference on “Sexual Conduct & Dysfunctions”. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Aug. 2, 2007.
- 20.**Participation in the 23rd Annual Meeting of ESHRE. Lyon. France. Jul 2007.
- 21.** Participation at monthly scientific conference of Reproductive Biotechnology Research Center. Tehran. Iran. Apr 2007- Mar 2008.
- 22.**Participation at the workshop entitled "Controversies in ART Failures". Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Jan 2007.
- 23.**Participation at the workshop entitled "Laparoscopy in Infertility". Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Dec 2006.
- 24.**Lecture certificate for "National Congress on AIDS". Shahid Beheshti University. Tehran. Iran. Nov (28-30), 2006.
- 25.** Participation at monthly scientific conferences of Biotechnology Research Center. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Sep 2006-Mar 2007.
- 26.**Member of scientific committee & lecturer for "Gamete & Embryo Donation Conference". University of Tehran. Tehran. Iran. Mar (1-2), 2006.
- 27.**Participation at 21st Annual Meeting of ESHRE. Copenhagen. Denmark. Jun 2005
- 28.**Participation at the workshop entitled "Sperm Preparation Methods". Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Mar 9, 2005.

- 29.**Participation at (theoretical – practical) workshop on IUI. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. Mar 4, 2005.
- 30.**Member of scientific committee at the congress entitled "Sexual Health in Reproductive Health". Avicenna Research Institute & Shaheed Beheshti University of Medical Sciences. Tehran. Iran. Feb (24-25), 2005.
- 31.**Certificate for successful completion of the workshop entitled "The Recent in Reproduction & Infertility". Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Jan 25, 2005.
- 32.**Participation at the congress entitled" embryo donation statute, controversies & solutions". Tehran University of Medical Sciences. Tehran. Iran. Jul 16, 2004.
- 33.**Participation at 20th Annual Meeting of ESHRE. Berlin. Germany. Jun (27-30), 2004.
- 34.** Participation at 9th specialized seminar on Immunological Aspects of Fertility and Infertility. Isfahan. Iran. Jan 2004.
- 35.** Successful completion of a theoretical and practical laboratory training entitled "ART Workshop". Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Jan 2004.
- 36.** Participation at 19th Annual Meeting of ESHRE Congress. Madrid. Spain. Jul 2003.
- 37.** Lecturer & member of scientific committee at the congress entitled "A comprehensive study on the aspects of abortion in Iran". Avicenna Research Institute & Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences (KUMS). Kermanshah. Iran. Feb (26-27), 2003.
- 38.** Lecturer at the congress entitled "Psychological aspects of infertility". Avicenna Research Institute & Faculty of Psychology & Education (Tehran University). Tehran. Iran. May 17, 2001.

IV-Experiences:

A: Research Activities:

1. Finished Projects:

- Behjati Ardakani Z., Abbasi Shavazi M.J, Akhondi M.A, Razeghi H.B. *Demographic – Social aspect of infertility: Case study in Tehran.* Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, (2005-2006).
- Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z., Sadeghi M, Modabberi Y, Ghaffari Novin M. *The consent forms of treatment, surgery, interventional techniques (ICSI/IVF), voluntary termination of treatment.* Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, (2004-2006).
- Younesi J, Behjati Ardakani Z., Akbari Zard Khaneh S. *Study of stigma among infertile women and men.* University of Social Welfare & Rehabilitation and Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, (2004- 2005).
- Merghati T, Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Examination of jurisprudential percepts & legal effects of assisted reproductive technologies in human reproduction.* Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, 2004.
- Kormi Nouri R, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z., Raygan N, Mirzaee M. *A study of psycho aspects of infertility in Iran.* Deputy for Research. Academic Center for Education, Culture & Research (ACECR). Iran, (2001-2004).
- Kormi Nouri R, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Psychosocial aspects of infertility from viewpoint of infertility physicians.* Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, (2001-2002).
- Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Examination of jurisprudential and legal aspects of ovum and embryo transfer and donation in IVF centers of Tehran province.* Management & Planning Organization. Iran, (2000-2004).
- Behjati Ardakani Z. *Study of relationship among neighborhoods in the city of Tehran to distinguish the effect of mass urbanization on people and subsequent*

alienation. Faculty of Social Science (University of Tehran). Tehran. Iran, (1990-1992).

- Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z, Sadeghi M, Modabberi Y, Ghaffari Novin M. *The consent forms in ART (Assisted Reproduction Techniques)*.

2. Current Projects:

- Behjati Ardakani Z, Ghorbani B, Akhondi M.A, Fazli Khalaf Z, Modabberi Saber Y, Milanifar A. *Evaluation of psychological health of infertile couples referring to Avicenna Infertility Clinic in 2007*. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, 2007
- Behjati Ardakani Z, Fazli Khalaf Z, Akhondi M.A, Ghorbani B, Modabberi Saber Y. *Marital satisfaction of infertile couples*. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, 2007
- Akhondi M.A, Bagheri Pour A., Behjati Ardakani Z. *Investigation of interactive role of body image and fertility status on Tehran male psycho-social development in men*. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran, 2007
- Behjati Ardakani Z, Shabestari O, Akhondi M.A. *Donation Bank Total Solution*. Management & Planning Organization. Iran, 2003
- Rasekh M, Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A, Jeddi Tehrani M, Sadeghi M.R, Milanifar A, Merghati T, Modabberi Y, Ayati M.R, Araghi E, Joneidi L, Razeghi H.B. *A theoretical and comparative study of the embryo donation system (Medical, Legal, Ethical, Sociological and Psychological)*. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran.Iran

B: Clinical Activities:

1. Project administrator for producing documentary entitled "Gamete & Embryo Donation". Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. 2007.
2. Project administrator for producing documentary entitled "Gamete & Embryo Donation Conference". Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. 2007.

3. Design and formation of Embryo and Gamete Donation Clinic. Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran, Since 2004.
4. Project administrator for producing documentary entitled “Comprehensive Study on the Aspects of Abortion in Iran”. Avicenna Research Institute. Tehran. Iran. (2002-2004).
5. Design & production of embryo donation software in association with Dr. Shabestrai (Manager of Medical Informatics Department of Avicenna Research Institute).
6. Design the format & content of medical consent forms (46 forms) including clinic documents. Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran.
7. Analysis the statute for embryo donation to infertile couples.

V-Major Administrative Responsibilities:

1. Coordinating director of scientific committee for the congress entitled "Surrogacy". Tehran. Iran. (2006-2007).
2. Secretary of specialized committee for embryo & gamete donation (Avicenna Infertility Clinic). Tehran. Iran. (2005-2006).
3. Coordinating director of scientific committee for the congress entitled "gamete & embryo donation". Tehran. Iran. (2005-2006).
4. Member of directory board at Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Since 2004.
5. Head of Donation Clinic at Avicenna Infertility Clinic. Tehran. Iran. Since 2003.

VI- Professional Memberships:

1. Member of Exclusive Cases Commission, Avicenna Infertility Clinic, Tehran, Iran, Since April 2006.
2. Member of scientific committee at Gamete and Embryo Donation Conference, Avicenna Research Institute, Tehran, Iran, 2004.

3. Member of scientific committee at 10th specialized seminar on "Sexual Health in Reproductive Health", Avicenna Research Institute, Tehran, Iran, 2004.
4. Member of scientific committee for Gamete Donation, Avicenna Infertility Clinic, Tehran, Iran, since 2003.
5. Member of ESHRE (European Society for Human Reproduction & Embryology), Since 2003
6. Member of Reproductive Health Department, Avicenna Research Institute, Tehran, Iran, Since 2003
7. Member of editorial board at Reproductive Health Magazine, Avicenna Research Institute, Tehran, Iran, (2003-2004).
8. Member of scientific committee at 8th specialized seminar on "Comprehensive Study on the Aspects of Abortion in Iran". Kermanshah. Iran. 2003.
9. Member of scientific committee at Avicenna Infertility Clinic, Tehran, Iran, since 2002.
10. Member of scientific committee at 6th specialized seminar on "Psychological Aspect of Infertility", Faculty of Psychology & Education (Tehran University), Tehran, Iran, 2001.
11. Member of Bio Ethics and law Department, Avicenna Research Institute, Tehran, Iran, since 2000

VII-Publication(s):

1. Ghorbani B, Behjati Ardekani Z, Yaghmaee F, *Health-related quality of life burden of women with endometriosis*. Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility 2008 fall; 168-176.
2. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardekani Z. *Surrogacy and the necessity for its application in infertility treatment*. Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility 2008 spring; 9(1): 7-13
3. Milanifar A.R, **Akhondi M.A**, Behjati Ardekani Z, Abdolazadeh A. *Issuing birth certificates and ID cards for newborns following a surrogate birth and the legal and ethical responsibilities of the medical team*. Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility 2008 spring; 9(1): 82-88

4. Milanifar A.R, Shahbazi M.H, Akhondi M.A., Behjati Ardakani Z. *A legal assessment of court permission, subject of article 2 of the Embryo Donation act.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 439-442
5. Behjati Ardakani Z., Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A.R, Modaberi Saber Y, Chamani Tabriz L, Moieni M, Ghorbani B, *Counseling, evaluation and screening of donor and recipient in third party reproduction and the matching process.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 443-451
6. Milanifar A, Shahbazi M.H, Behjati Ardakani Z., **Akhondi M.A.** *Impressive effect of dissolution matrimony in the final stage of embryo or gamete transferring.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4):415-418
7. Ghorbani B, Behjati Ardakani Z., Akhondi M.A. *Counsel able psychological experiences in women facing fertility problems.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 373-377
8. Abdolazadeh A, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Confidentiality in infertility treatments.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 355-363
9. Behjati Ardakani Z., Abbasi Shavazi M.J, Shidfar F, Moeini M, Akhondi M.A. *The effect of ageing on natural and artificial reproduction.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 331-345
10. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z., Arefi S, Sadri Ardekani H, Aarabi M, Zarnani A.H, Chamani Tabriz L, Shabestari O. *A close look at natural and in vitro fertilization as well as the need for donated gametes in treatment of infertility.* **Payesh Health Monitor (Journal of the Iranian Institute for Health Sciences Research-ACECR)** 2007 fall; 6(4): 307-321
11. Younesi J, Akbari Zard Khaneh S, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Evaluation stigma among infertile men & women in Iran.* **Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility** 2006 winter; 6(5): 531-545

12. Abbasi Shavazi J, Razeghi Nasrabad H.B, Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A. *Attitude of infertile women towards gamete donation: a Case study in Tehran. Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility* 2006 summer ; 7(2):139-148
13. Abbasi Shavazi M.J, Razeghi Nasrabad H.B, Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A. *Socio- cultural aspects of gamete and embryo donation in treatment of infertility: Case study in Tehran. Essays on Gamete and Embryo Donation in Infertility Treatment from Medical, Theoretical, Legal, Ethical, Psychological and Sociological Approaches* 2006; 397-416
14. Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A, Sadeghi M.R, Sadri Ardekani H. *The necessity of comprehensive study on abortion in Iran. Medical Journal of Reproductive and Infertility* 2005 autumn; 6(4): 299-320
15. Ahmadi S.M, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Embryo reduction in multiple pregnancies, Medical Journal of Reproductive and Infertility* 2005 autumn; 6(4): 441-449
16. Behjati Ardakani Z. *Psychosocial counseling in HIV/AIDS, Reproductive Health Magazine* 2004; 1(4): 33-37
17. Behjati Ardakani Z. *Concept of life after living with HIV/AIDS. Reproductive Health Magazine* 2003; 1(2): 36-39
18. Behjati Ardakani Z. *Review of sexual and psychosocial health of women in recent decade. Reproductive Health Magazine* 2003; 1(1): 43-46
19. Behjati Ardakani Z. *Psychosocial problem of HIV/AIDS and coping style. Reproductive Health Magazine* 2003; 1(3): 3-8
20. Kormi Nouri R, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Psychological aspects of infertility from viewpoint of infertility treating physicians. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility* 2001 summer; 2(7): 13-26

VIII-Abstract(s):

A. National Congresses:

1. Akhondi M.A, Sadeghi M.R, Ghorbani B, Behjat- Ardekani Z. *Infertility and social issues*. The First National Congress on Urban Health (NCUH). Tehran. Iran. 24-25 Apr 2010.

2. Ghorbani B, Maleki H, Behjati-Ardekani Z. *Psychological aspects of fertility preservation in cancer patients.* Fertility Preservation Congress. Tehran. Iran 13-14 Jan 2010.
3. Sadri-Ardekani H, Maleki H, Behjati-Ardekani Z, Kamali K, Sedighinejad S, Repping S, Vossough P. Akhondi M.A. *Attitude of Iranian parents about semen/testicular tissue cryopreservation in boys with cancer.* Fertility Preservation Congress. Tehran. Iran 13-14 Jan 2010.
4. Akhondi M.A, Moiniee M, Yaghmaiee F, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardekani Z. *Infertility treatment: A professional teamwork.* 15th Congress of Iranian Society for Reproductive Medicine. Yazd. Iran. Feb 2009.
5. Milanifar A, Akhondi M.A, Moiniee M, Yaghmaiee F, Behjati Ardekani Z. *Infertility treatment: Group commitment, accountability and management.* 15th Congress of Iranian Society for Reproductive Medicine. Yazd. Iran. Feb 2009.
6. Karoubi M.T, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardekani Z, Milanifar A. *A critical examination of embryo donation to infertile spouses: Act 2003.* 15th Congress of Iranian Society for Reproductive Medicine. Yazd. Iran. Feb 2009.
7. **Akhondi M.A,** Behjati-Ardekani Z. *Establishment of a comprehensive insurance system in diagnosis and treatment of infertility.* Insurance and Infertility Seminar. Tehran. Iran. Jan 1, 2009.
8. Behjati-Ardekani Z, Ebadi P, **Akhondi M.A.** *Social and cultural structure of infertility and the necessity of using insurance with emphasis on the function of different countries.* Insurance and Infertility Seminar. Tehran. Iran. Jan 1, 2009.
9. Behjati Ardekani Z, Akhondi M.A, Yaghmaie F, Milanifar A.R. *Counseling and assessment in surrogacy.* Medical Journal of Reproduction & Infertility. 2008 Summer; 9(2):107-14.
10. Akhondi M.A, Sadri Ardekani H, Tarahomi M, Zeraati H, Behjati Ardakani Z, Modabberi Y. *Semen quality of smoker and non-smoker men in infertile couples.* 7th International Congress on Obstetrics and Gynecology. Tehran. Iran. Nov 2007.
11. Shidfar F, Behjati Ardakani Z. *The effect of ageing on natural and artificial reproduction.* 7th International Congress on Obstetrics and Gynecology. Tehran. Iran. Nov 2007.
12. Milanifar A.R, Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z, Abdolazadeh A. *To issue the birth certificate and ID card for the newborn from surrogacy and the legal and ethical responsibility of the medical team.* Interdisciplinary Seminar on Surrogacy. Tehran. Iran. Oct. 24-25, 2007.

13. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Surrogacy, definition, types and the necessity of its performance in treatment of infertility*. Interdisciplinary Seminar on Surrogacy. Tehran. Iran. Oct. 24-25, 2007.
14. Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A, Shidfar F. *Counseling and assessment in surrogacy*. Interdisciplinary Seminar on Surrogacy. Tehran. Iran. Oct. 24-25, 2007.
15. Chamani Tabriz L, Yaghmaee F, Tarahomi M, Behjati Ardakani. *Special concern to infectious diseases after and during surrogacy*. Interdisciplinary Seminar on Surrogacy. Tehran. Iran. Oct. 24-25, 2007.
16. Shamschiri Milani H, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Socio- medical dimensions in HIV positive patients*. National Congress on AIDS. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility 2006; 7(Suppl3): p15.
17. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z, Arefi S. *Natural fertilization, IVF and the importance of Third Party Reproduction in infertility treatment*. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility 2006 winter; 6(Suppl5): p6
18. Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A, Milanifar A, Modaberi Saber Y. *Counseling, evaluation and screening diseases and related legal & medical subject*. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility 2006 winter; 6(Suppl5): p11
19. Milanifar A, Shahbazi M.H, Akhondi M.A., Behjati Ardakani Z. *Addressing court permission subject of the article2 of the Act of legal aspect of embryo donation to the infertile couple*. 2nd national congress on Gamete and embryo donation. Medical Journal of Reproductive and Infertility 2006; 6(suppl5): p24
20. Shahbazi M, Milanifar A, Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A. *Impressive effect of dissolution matrimony in the final stage of embryo or gamete transferring*. 2nd national congress on Gamete and embryo donation. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility 2006 winter; 6(Suppl5): p27
21. Abbasi Shavazi M.J, Razeghi H.B, Behjati Ardakani Z, Akhondi M.A. *Socio-cultural aspects of gamete and embryo donation in treatment of infertility: Case study in Tehran*. Medical Journal of Reproduction and Infertility 2006; 6(Suppl5): p30

22. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z. *The necessity of comprehensive study on abortion in Iran.* Seminar on "A comprehensive study on the aspects of abortion in Iran". Kermanshah. Iran. Feb 26-27, 2003
23. Akhondi M.A, Kormi Nouri R, Behjati Ardakani Z. *Psychological aspects of infertility from the viewpoint of infertility physicians.* 6th Specialized Fertility and Infertility Symposium 2001; 33

B. International Congresses:

1. Akhondi M.A, Behjati Ardakani Z., Kormi Nouri R. *Psychological aspects of infertility from viewpoint of infertility treating physicians.* IC Infertility. 2002.