



# About Men Having Babies

With over 8,500 future and current gay parents worldwide, the international nonprofit **Men Having Babies (MHB)** is dedicated to providing its members with educational and financial support. community forum.

## Surrogacy Workshops and Conferences

Each year over 1,800 attendees benefit from unbiased guidance and access to a wide range of relevant service providers at its monthly workshops in **NYC** and conferences in **New York, San Francisco, Chicago, Florida, Taipei, Tel Aviv Toronto and Brussels**. These conferences, which are organized with the help of prominent LGBT parenting organizations, provide unparalleled opportunities to get unbiased information, access a wide range of relevant service providers, and connect with others going through the surrogacy process. Special interest panels for parents, prospects and professionals include topics such as parenting for HIV+ men, speaking to your children about surrogacy and gay parenting, testimonies from teenagers born via surrogacy, and ethical considerations in surrogacy.

## The Gay Parenting Assistance Program (GPAP)

The Gay Parenting Assistance Program (GPAP) was created as part of our mission to make surrogacy services more affordable for gay men. GPAP annually provides dozens of couples with access to substantial discounts and about \$750,000 in cash grants and free services from about **sixty-nine leading service providers**. Funds for this program come from event sponsorship fees and direct donations. Applications for discounts (Stage I) are accepted on a rolling basis, and candidates for grants (Stage II) are evaluated annually.

## Surrogacy Advisor Directory

In an effort to promote transparency and affordability, MHB conducts extensive surveys of hundreds of surrogacy clients. Using the data we receive, we compile exclusive rating tables with satisfaction levels for various 20 agencies and clinics, as well as success rates, and real cost figures. This information has already helped many prospective parents save thousands of dollars by identifying affordable, effective providers. The directory includes a comprehensive listing of over 100 providers from the USA and beyond with contact information, descriptions of services, video introductions, and reviews. A universal consultation request form allows our members to contact dozens of providers in one step.

## Advocacy and Research

Together with our Surrogates Advisory Board and community partners worldwide, MHB works to promote a **Framework for Ethical Surrogacy** that benefit all parties involved. We also work to raise awareness about surrogacy by assisting academic studies, maintaining the **MHB Surrogacy Forum** on Facebook for dads and surrogates, and setting up the first ever **Surrogacy Speakers Bureau**.



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