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**Surrogacy in Ukraine and abroad. The comparative legal aspect**

The role and importance of such type of reproductive medicine as surrogacy are described in the article. Ukrainian legislation in the sphere of regulation of surrogate motherhood is analyzed; gaps and shortcomings that need to be eliminated are highlighted. The article compares the domestic and foreign experience of concluding a surrogacy contract.

It’s stated in the article that surrogacy is one the most effective method to fight a problem of infertility. However there is no single opinion among people whether it is useful and saving or illegal and is against morality.

Surrogacy has been used for not that long, it has its peculiarities around the world; that is why its need to be improved is not surprising. First of all it is said about Ukrainian legislation.

As for the main imperfections of national legislation in the sphere of regulating surrogacy that should be solved are: absence of the separate, special normative legal act that would characterize the order of applying this procedure in detail; unregulated essential terms of the surrogacy contract concluded between the genetic parents and the surrogate mother.

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