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Module 12

1. There is a greater risk of complications in the pregnancy of postmenopausal women. It may create poor outcomes which include a high rate of death due to cesarian sections, gestational hypertension may result in high blood pressure. Most of the postmenopausal women are excluded from AMA because of the history of women with hypertensive, cardiovascular diseases, independent of age and lower pregnancy-related disease.
2. According to the opinion of the ASRM ethics committee, it is very common to raise children by their grandparents and if it is acceptable to have parents at that age then postmenopausal women are at the same age. It is prejudicial to stop premenopausal women to raise her child at that age because an individual has right to make a reproductive choice irrespective of their age or life expectancy and there is no restrictions should be placed on people. It is discriminatory to stop old women who have the desire to become a parent at a later age.
3. Postmenopausal women reproduction should not be restricted until there is a strong justification to do so. Through IVF there is an opportunity for patients to take advanced reproductive techniques used by a reproductive endocrinologist who is more selective to take extra precautions for the older postmenopausal women health during pregnancy and childbirth. A special consideration that should be needed that legal sole guardian should be responsible for the child until child adulthood.
4. Patients reproductive potential can also be affected by the social aspect. The life expectancy of a patient is first and foremost important thing. A woman of the latest reproductive age may die before her child reached at the age of 18 and leave her child without any caretaker or financial support.
5. Before pregnancy maternal health should be carefully evaluated that what will be the life expectancy of the postmenopausal women who are going to have a child at the age of 55 or above.

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