Name of Policy:	**Selection of a Recipient when a Deceased Donor Kidney Becomes Available**	
Policy Number:	3364-140-21	
Department:	Kidney Transplant Administration (Nursing Service)	
Approving Officer:	Chief Nursing Officer Director, Renal Transplant Program	
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_____	New policy proposal	_____	Minor/technical revision of existing policy
_____	Major revision of existing policy	X	Reaffirmation of existing policy

(A) Policy Statement

UTMC Transplant Center will follow UNOS (United Network for Organ Sharing) approved methods for distribution of deceased donor kidneys. If UTMC requests any local variances for distribution these will apply to all the patients equally.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To assure that patients listed on the waiting list are treated in a fair manner during the selection process for receiving a deceased donor kidney.

(C) Procedure

1. The United States government has mandated that the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) shall be the national computer network for the sharing of deceased donor organs for transplantation.
2. UNOS has devised a method of equitably sharing organs based on a point system.
3. Patients are offered the kidney in descending order starting with the patient with the highest number of points based on anatomic and medical suitability

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