(A) Policy Statement

Social Work Services will be provided for all transplant patients.

(B) Purpose of Policy

Provide professional social work interventions to renal to transplant patients and/or their families.

(C) Procedure

1. Patients will be referred to the Social Worker Patient Care Coordinator (Recipient and/or Donor) for pre-transplant psych-social assessment and interventions. Interventions will include education specific to transplant patients needs, referral to community resources, supportive counseling and ongoing services as needed.

2. The Social Worker Patient Care Coordinator (Recipient and/or Donor) will participate on the transplant selection committee and maintain ongoing contact with those patients/families waiting for transplant.

3. Throughout hospitalization and medical follow-up the Social Worker Patient Care Coordinator (Recipient and/or Donor) will work collaboratively with other Outcome Management staff to assist the patient/family in: psychosocial concerns, recommending appropriate services, accessing services and communication with the transplant team.

4. The Social Worker Patient Care Coordinator (Recipient and/or Donor) will be available to assist Outcome Management staff and R.N. Transplant Coordinator with discharge planning.
| Policies Superseded by This Policy: | 17-23 Social Work Services Provided for Transplant Patients |

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