


Name of Policy: <u>Psychosocial Evaluation of Potential Transplant Candidate</u>	 Effective Date: 7/1/2024 Initial Effective Date: December 14, 2007
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Responsible Agent: Transplant Coordinator/Transplant Social Worker	
Scope: The University of Toledo Medical Center	
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(A) Policy Statement

All potential kidney and/or pancreas transplant candidates will have a psychosocial evaluation prior to being placed on the UNOS transplant waiting list.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To ensure that all potential kidney and/or pancreas transplant candidates receive a psychosocial evaluation by a qualified health care professional prior to placement on the transplant waiting list.

(C) Procedure

1. Psychosocial evaluations of potential kidney and/or pancreas transplant candidates may be completed by licensed social workers, psychologists or psychiatrists.
2. Psychosocial evaluations will be done on all kidney and/or pancreas transplant candidates prior to placement on the transplant waiting list and on their annual re-evaluation.
 - a. Psychosocial evaluation will address the following:
 - 1) Social, personal, housing, vocational, financial and environmental support.
 - 2) Coping abilities and strategies (including bereavement)
 - 3) Understanding of the risks and benefits of transplantation
 - 4) Ability to adhere to a therapeutic regimen
 - 5) Mental health history, including substance or alcohol use or abuse and how it may impact the success or failure of organ transplantation.

