


<p><b>Name of Policy:</b>     <u><b>Pre-Transplant Encounter Between the Transplant Coordinator and the Transplant Patient</b></u></p> <p><b>Policy Number:</b>     3364-140-06</p> <p><b>Department:</b>         Transplant Administration (Nursing Service)</p> <p><b>Approving Officer:</b>  Chief Nursing Officer                                        Director, Renal Transplant Program                                        Director, Pancreas Transplant Program</p> <p><b>Responsible Agent:</b>  Transplant Coordinator</p> <p><b>Scope:</b>                 The University of Toledo Medical Center</p>	 <p><b>Effective Date:</b>  7/1/2024          Initial Effective Date:  December 30, 1981</p>
<p>_____ New policy proposal                                     <u>  <b>X</b>  </u> Minor/technical revision of existing policy          _____ Major revision of existing policy                   _____ Reaffirmation of existing policy</p>	

**(A) Policy Statement**

The Transplant Coordinator shall meet with each patient referred for transplantation, during their pre-transplant evaluation period.

**(B) Purpose of Policy**

To provide information to the patient and his/her family regarding the types of transplants, advantages and disadvantages of transplantation; sequence of events when a kidney and/or pancreas becomes available; pre and post-operative nursing care; medications; follow up; morbidity/mortality of transplantation.

**(C) Procedure**

1. The Transplant Assistant is notified of potential transplant recipients by one of the following mechanisms:
  - a. Referral directly from nephrologist
  - b. Referral from the Dialysis Unit
  - c. Referral from endocrinologist/primary care provider
  - d. Referral from transplant surgeon
2. The patient is contacted to attend monthly orientation class.
3. The Transplant Assistant schedules a clinic appointment for the potential transplant recipient. At this initial transplant clinic appointment, the potential transplant recipient will be seen by a Transplant Physician for a History & Physical and plan, by a Transplant Coordinator, Transplant Financial Coordinator, Transplant Recipient Social Worker and a dietician.
4. The Transplant Coordinator provides the potential Transplant recipient with the Physician's plan for testing prior to the patient leaving the clinic area, so that the potential transplant recipient is aware of the further testing needed to determine Transplant candidacy. The Transplant Coordinator will provide their business card and contact information so if the patient has any questions and/or concerns he/she can reach her/him.
5. The Transplant Coordinator documents the visit in the outpatient record, noting questions or concerns of patient/family.

- 6. The Transplant Coordinator will revisit the patient at the request of the patient, nephrologist, or dialysis staff.
- 7. The Pre-Transplant Coordinator collates data regarding transplant work up and documents and reports these in a timely manner.

<p><b>Approved by:</b></p> <p>_____ /s/ Kurt Kless, MSN, MBA, RN, NE-BC Chief Nursing Officer/CNO</p> <p>_____ Date</p> <p>_____ /s/ Michael Rees, MD Director, Renal Transplant Program</p> <p>_____ Date</p> <p>_____ /s/ Kunal Yadav, MD Director, Pancreas Transplant Program</p> <p>_____ Date</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed By: Transplant, Surgeon, Transplant Administrator, Social Worker</i></p>	<p><b>Review/Revision Date:</b></p> <p>1982                    12/2007 1983                    1/23/2009 2/86                    1/12/2010 1/88                    11/28/12 11/88                   10/7/15 1989                    10/24/2018 7/90                    10/26/2021 3/92                    2/23/2024 4/93 5/94 3/95 6/97 10/98 2/00 8/02 7/03 7/05 2/07</p> <p><b>Next Review Date:</b>    7/1/2027</p>
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