

**Maine Medical Center
Maine Transplant Program
Policies and Procedures
Living Donor Candidate Selection Process**

Purpose

To define the people and the process of living donor candidate selection.

Policy

All candidates evaluated as potential living donors shall be presented to the multidisciplinary team for approval.

Procedure

1. The potential donor self-refers to the program by completing an online questionnaire (DASH Living Donor Intake System – mmc.donorscreen.org) If the donor candidate does not meet initial online screening criteria, he or she is notified electronically on real time by the DASH system based on specific hard stops (absolute contraindications for living kidney donation) built within it. Finally a donor decline reason is captured automatically within the DASH system.
2. If the potential donor meets the initial screening criteria, he or she is evaluated according to our Living Donor Evaluation Protocol.
3. Upon completion of all required testing and evaluation by all required multidisciplinary team members described in the Living Donor Patient Management Policy, the potential donor's "Clinical File" is presented at the Living Donor Candidate Review meeting.
4. The Living Donor Candidate Committee Review decision (accept, decline, or require additional testing/screening) will be electronically uploaded into the donor's medical record in Epic on the same day of discussion. The Living Donor Coordinator will share the Committee decision and/or necessary additional testing with the Donor Candidate via phone within a week of above.
5. Any disputes within the multidisciplinary team around the approval of the potential donor will be taken to a joint meeting of the Executive Committee of the Clinical Ethics Committee and the Maine Transplant Program Leadership to adjudicate the issue. Documentation of this meeting will be included in the medical record. Team members are informed of this process as well as the Ethics and Compliance Helpline, both accessible on the Maine Medical Center homepage.

Definitions

Living Donor Candidate Review Committee consists of all multidisciplinary team members responsible for the evaluation of potential candidates, including:

- Medical Director/Transplant Nephrologist
- Surgical Director
- Independent Living Donor Advocate
- Nutrition
- Social Work/Financial Coordinator
- Living Donor Nurse Coordinator
- Pharmacy

References

Maine Transplant Program's Process for Evaluating Potential Living Donor Protocol
Maine Transplant Program's Living Donor Patient Management Policy

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