TITLE: KIDNEY LISTING CRITERIA

I. PURPOSE

To appropriately identify transplant candidates for listing on the UNOS (United Network for Organ Sharing) kidney waitlist in keeping with OPTN/UNOS guidelines.

II. POLICY

Each potential candidate for kidney transplant is assessed by the Transplant Listing Committee using agreed upon criteria for acceptance as a transplant candidate. All individuals are treated equally, regardless of age, race, color, creed, or national origin.

III. LISTING CRITERIA – Relative/Absolute Contraindications:

A. Relative Contraindications:
1. Advanced age combined with poor health status
2. History of complicated medical history
3. Lack of appropriate social support
4. Inability to maintain professional relationships with transplant staff
5. History of illicit drug use and substance abuse
6. Advanced cardiopulmonary disease
7. History of malignancy
8. BMI > 40
9. Tobacco use without evidence of cessation
10. Psychosocial contraindications
11. Inability to comply with transplant center's policies and procedures through transplant phases
12. Pre-frail
13. Current active autoimmune disease (e.g. Lupus, Goodpasture's Syndrome, Wegener's Granulomatosis)
14. COVID-19 vaccination will be strongly recommended.

B. Absolute Contraindications:
1. Active infection
2. Active malignancy
3. Non-compliance with medical management
4. Active substance abuse
5. Irreversible pulmonary hypertension.

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