

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### Adult Kidney Recipient Eligibility Criteria

#### I. Indications for Kidney Transplantation

- a. All patients with Chronic Renal Failure on maintenance dialysis or approaching dialysis are considered for kidney transplantation unless excluded specifically below.
- b. Foreign Nationals - Foreign national patients (intending to return to their native country) will be considered on a case by case basis. All foreign nationals must commit to moving to Fort Worth, Texas prior to transplant and remain here for a minimum of three months after. All financial requirements with the hospital and physicians must be completed and satisfied prior to listing the patient.
- c. Financial Verification - Since kidney transplantation is an expensive process, verification that your financial resources are available for coverage will be completed prior to any pre-procedure evaluation.

#### II. Absolute Contraindications to Kidney Transplantation

- a. Active malignancy
- b. Active illicit drug use at the time of wait listing
- c. Untreated or uncontrolled psychosis
- d. Illegal presence in the United States
- e. Women who are currently pregnant
- f. Active nicotine usage at the time of wait listing
- g. Irreversible and severe cardiovascular disease
- h. Irreversible and severe liver disease
- i. Irreversible and severe pulmonary disease (includes supplemental oxygen use)

#### III. Relative Contraindications to Kidney Transplantation will be evaluated on a case by case basis

- a. Morbid obesity (BMI above 35)
- b. Patients with documented compliance problems
- c. Severe Sickle cell anemia
- d. Poor functional status
- e. Insufficient financial resources
- f. Unresolved psychosocial issues

I have read and understand the above criteria and have asked all questions concerning these criteria.

Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_



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