

## WHO IS THE TRANSPLANT TEAM?

There are many highly specialized people involved in helping you throughout the donor evaluation and surgical process. They are referred to as your Transplant Team. This team will assist you in the scheduling of tests, evaluating the results and discussing them with you, and helping you through the surgery and care afterwards.

### TRANSPLANT SURGEONS

There are skilled and experienced transplant surgeons, all of whom will be involved in your care. You will meet with one of them during the initial consultation. The transplant surgeons on our team are:

Thomas Diflo, M.D.  
Devon John, M.D.  
Lewis Teperman, M.D.  
Glyn Morgan, M.D.  
Ahmed Fahmy, MD

### TRANSPLANT COORDINATORS/NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Your transplant coordinator is an experienced registered nurse trained specifically in organ transplant. He/she will coordinate your pre-operative evaluation and workup and will review the test results with you and the rest of the team. One of their major responsibilities is to educate you and your family and help you understand the workup process. They will answer any questions that you may have before, during, and after surgery.

### INPATIENT TRANSPLANT RN'S INPATIENT TRANSPLANT RN'S

After your surgery you will be admitted to The Transplant Unit on 14 West, where your care is provided by an experienced registered nurse trained specifically in organ transplant. He/ She will provide your postoperative care and education to you and your family throughout your hospital stay.

### TRANSPLANT SOCIAL WORKER

Your transplant social worker will meet with you during the evaluation process and will be available to provide support to you and your family throughout your hospitalization and after discharge.

### TRANSPLANT NEPHROLOGIST

You will be scheduled to see a transplant nephrologist (kidney specialist) who is an expert in the risks and benefits of living donor kidney transplantation. He/she will examine you and will review all of your medical records to ensure that it is safe for you to donate a kidney. The nephrologist works very closely with the transplant team and will help to determine if you need any additional testing.

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A nutritionist is available on the transplant team to oversee your nutritional requirements during your hospitalization. The nutritionist is available to answer any questions in regards to your diet.

### PHARMACIST/PHARMACIST

A registered Pharmacist is part of the team and is available to assist the transplant team with your medication management and teaching during your hospitalization.

### CONSULTING PHYSICIANS

Depending on your examination results, you may be asked to see other specialists during the evaluation period. These specialists may include a cardiologist (heart specialist), a hematologist (blood specialist), a pulmonologist (lung specialist), or a psychiatrist.