LEADING THE WAY IN KIDNEY AND PANCREAS TRANSPLANTATION

Serving Central and South Jersey For More Than 40 Years

Experience
Since 1974, Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center transplant team has been giving individuals the best care possible before, during and after organ transplant surgery. Lourdes’ transplant program has built a successful record over a span of more than 40 years.

Lourdes is the only center in New Jersey to perform kidney, pancreas and liver transplants. The Lourdes Center for Organ Transplantation has performed more than 1,000 kidney transplants and has some of the best outcomes in the state. The center has enjoyed long-time certification from the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) and approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

The Lourdes kidney transplantation team includes highly qualified, board certified transplant nephrologists and surgeons who meet and exceed the standards of qualifications and credentialing set by UNOS. They are joined by an excellent group of transplant nurse practitioners, transplant coordinators, a transplant pharmacist, social worker, dietitian and finance coordinator.

Leaders in Quality Care
Highly organized pre-and post-transplant programs continue to be an essential part of Lourdes’ success. Candidates often have co-morbidities, making careful evaluation, proper selection and patient stratification vital to good outcomes.

This high level of organization and the special, individualized attention that Lourdes gives to patients has helped us achieve excellent results—with outcomes that place the center among the best in the greater Philadelphia area based on recent data (see chart).

What’s more, at Lourdes, we understand and appreciate the importance of primary nephrologists and primary care physicians in our team approach to care. We recognize that dialysis is a life-saving bridge to transplantation and that the ultimate goal is to achieve the best outcomes for our patients in collaboration with their primary physicians.

Our Services
Lourdes’ program works to make organ transplantation available to as many patients as possible by supporting patient access and donor options.

Our services include:
- Deceased donor kidney transplantation
- Living donor kidney transplantation
- Simultaneous pancreas-kidney transplantation
- Pancreas transplantation alone
- Simultaneous liver-kidney transplantation
- Laparoscopic donor nephrectomy
- Pre- and post-transplant follow-up
- Living donor evaluations
- Paired exchange option (swapping kidneys)
- Long-term follow-up of living donors
- Immunosuppression management
- Management of post-transplant infections

UNOS allows potential transplant recipients to be listed at more than one kidney transplant center.

Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center is uniquely positioned to allow individuals to take advantage of both the New Jersey Sharing Network and the Gift of Life program of south-eastern Pennsylvania. Patients who opt to dual/multiple list increase their chances of receiving a transplant.

One-Year Patient Survival After Kidney Transplant

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*According to SRTR January 2018 report on patients transplanted between July 1, 2014 to December 31,2016.
Meet the Lourdes Team

At Lourdes, patients are seen by a highly qualified kidney/pancreas transplant team. We value our referring providers and work to achieve the best outcomes for our patients.

**Referrals**

Patients and physicians may call the pre-transplant center at 856-796-9370. The coordinator will schedule patients promptly for screening or evaluation with the program’s medical team.

Lourdes transplant coordinators and transplant nephrologists remain personally and directly accessible to patients and referring physicians throughout the treatment process.

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**Transplant Nephrologists**

- **Manasa Ujire, MD**
  Medical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplant

- **Anita Mehrotra, MD**
  Transplant Nephrologist

**Transplant Surgeons**

- **John Radomski, MD**
  Chairman, Department of Surgery, Surgical Director, Liver Transplant, Multi-organ Transplant Surgeon

- **Nasser Youssef, MD**
  Surgical Director, Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Multi-organ Transplant Surgeon

- **Ely Sebastian, MD**
  Primary Laparoscopic Transplant Surgeon Multi-organ Transplant Surgeon, Chief of Transplant Surgery

**Transplant Team Specialists**

- **Transplant Nurse Practitioners**
  - Janine Vallen, MSN, RN, APN-C
  - Nathifa A. Garcia, MSN, APN-BC

- **Transplant Pharmacist**
  - Krista Taylor, PharmD, RpH

- **Kidney Pre-Transplant Coordinators**
  - Kyla Flannery, BSN, RN
  - Gwen Lupton, BSN, RN
  - Alexa Jantorino, RN
  - Jennie Roggio, BSN, RN

- **Kidney Post-Transplant Coordinators**
  - Linda Colander, BSN, RN
  - Mary Margaret Campbell, RN
  - Elaine Dowdell, RN
  - Patti Walsh, RN

- **Kidney Transplant Social Worker**
  - Margaret Goodfellow, LSW

- **Transplant Dietitian**
  - Mary Nell Tabyayong, MS, RD

- **Finance Coordinator**
  - Joanne Olsen

To view video testimonials from our transplant patients, visit www.lourdesnet.org. Under “Programs and Services,” click on “Transplantation.”