Transplant Change Package

Kick-off Webinar

12/15/2020
Facility Selection

Home and Transplant Change Packages:
- Selected 20% (n=153) of the Network service area
- Include ESRD Treatment Choices (ETC) facilities (n=102)
- Include facilities below national averages
  - 15.26% national average for transplant wait list
- Included a total of 12 rural facilities
- Excluded facilities:
  - less than 10 patients
  - Population census with more than 50% average age >65
2020 Modalities QIA:
- Jan – October 2020
- Included 156 facilities
- Added 2,200 patients to the transplant waitlist
Count of Prevalent ESRD Patients by Treatment Setting

In-Center Dialysis: 47,905
Home Dialysis: 6,501
Total Dialysis Patients: 54,406
Transplant: 17,590
Total ESRD Patients: 71,996

Count of prevalent ESRD patients by treatment modality setting

17,590 transplant patients

Total Dialysis Patients = In-Center Dialysis + Home Dialysis
Total ESRD Patients = Transplant + Total Dialysis
SNF dialysis patients are not shown due to small numbers.
Source of data: CROWNWeb May 2020
A total of only 332 (2.5%) incident patients in 2019 were initiated with a transplant as treatment.

While 11,112 patients were initiated in-center and 1,557 in home (97.5%).
RCA & Survey Results

Transplant Barriers

- Facility lack of staff training and time constrains: 7
- Facility staff perception about patients not being a good candidate: 16
- Facility physician or staff lack of follow-up: 11
- Patients lack of education or misconceptions: 55
- Patients lack of socioeconomic or financial means: 121
- Patients lack of eligibility: 176
- Patients lack of motivation or family support: 127
- Distance to transplant centers is too far: 50
- Lack of communication between transplant center, facility, and patient: 37
- National shortage of organs/organ donors: 42
Interventions

- Electronic Notice to focus facilities on 11/30/2020
  - Included the Transplant and Home Preference Form Due 12/4
  - Short RCA and pre-survey via Smartsheet
- TX Connect Collaborative Demo/Presentation 12/10/2020 (posted on website and portal)
- Network Level: Transplant/OPO Collaborative Meetings
- Tracking and monitoring
  - Monthly Feedback Survey Due Last Day of Each Month
- *Change Package interventions
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- Transplant Trailblazers (PAC & Each Facility)
- Share High-KDPI Patient Education [Video](#) by 2/11/21
- Kidney Transplant Hub
- Complete the **FREE** CEU Course by 1/15/21 (website and Portal)
  - NKF’s Kidney Transplant Rejection (1 CEU) [HERE](#)
The Network has Transplant Trailblazers from our PAC

- Host Virtual Webinars or Podcast to talk about myths and fears, pros/cons of transplant

Each Facility must recruit **At least 1** Transplant Trailblazer by **12/31/2021**

Transplant Trailblazer Interactive Call with PAC 1/12/21 at **12:30 PM CST**

**Transplant Trailblazer Role**

- Sign up to be a Transplant Trailblazer through your transplant center
- Work closely with your ESRD Network to connect with a dialysis center and a Dialysis Peer
- Attend a kick-off meeting to learn about your role and program expectations

**How to Contribute**

As someone who’s been on dialysis and the transplant waitlist, you are familiar with the ups and downs of kidney disease. Now that you have received a transplant, you can use this experience to share your transplant story and guide a Dialysis Peer along a familiar journey.

**How It Works**

1. Sign up to be a Transplant Trailblazer through your transplant center
2. Work closely with your ESRD Network to connect with a dialysis center and a Dialysis Peer
3. Attend a kick-off meeting to learn about your role and program expectations
4. Support your Dialysis Peer partner through activities that interest you both and fit your schedules
5. Provide motivation and encouragement to your Dialysis Peer by sharing your transplant experience
6. Celebrate your accomplishments and successes

**How to Be a Trusted Partner**

- Share insights from your personal experience with receiving a transplant
- Refer your Dialysis Peer to their care team when asked medical questions
- Maintain patient confidentiality
- Provide reassurance and be an empathetic listener
- Encourage Dialysis Peers to remain engaged in their plan of care, maintain doctor appointments, and stay active on the transplant waitlist
- Offer encouragement after a discouraging day and help them to thrive in their circumstances
- Meet at a time and place that is convenient for both people

**What you should not do for your Dialysis Peer:**

- Give any medical advice, including diet options
- Handle their grievances or challenges, always refer them to their social worker or facility administrator
- Borrow or loan money
- In invade their privacy, personal space, or breach their confidentiality

**How will the Transplant Trailblazer benefit?**

- Remain motivated in your own treatment by staying engaged in your plan of care and up-to-date on the best treatment opportunities and practices
- Expand your leadership skills by guiding your Dialysis Peer through their treatment journey and times of uncertainty
- Improve your problem-solving and communication skills by clearly sharing your own treatment experiences and assist your Dialysis Peer in setting goals to achieve their transplant goals
- Contribute to something larger than yourself by supporting the overall quality of life for people with kidney disease
Patient guide with resources for patients to consider transplant as the preferred treatment option for kidney failure. Visit the Kidney Transplant Hub HERE
ESRD Modality Portal

- All Requirements and Resources will be posted on the portal [HERE](#).
- The Monthly Feedback Survey is at the bottom!

*Only do the Transplant Package side of the portal*
Other Transplant Resources
The Network developed a Patient Portal with resources and videos highlighting important healthcare topics.

The Patient Portal is not only for patients, but for caregivers and family members too! It is updated monthly with the newest available resources.

Visit: www.esrdnetwork.org/patient-portal
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