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Scandiatransplant
Nordic Transplantation Coordinator Group Meeting
on-line meeting 02.11.2023

Participants:
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Maria Winding Engmann, Copenhagen
Rikke Spanggaard, Odense
Helle Madsen, Aarhus
Carola Schauman, Helsinki
Pernilla Händén, Gothenburg
Kickan Hansson and Kestin Karud, Malmö
Monika Olofsson Storrö, Oslo
Anne Ørskov and Ilse Weinreich, Scandiatransplant

Election of chair: Maria Winding Engmann
Election of secretary: Carola Schauman

1. Last meeting – Minutes
   Most of us had problems with the perfusion solution, and that is mostly now solved.
   Otherwise nothing to point out

2. Round the table
   Copenhagen 5 coordinators, They are ready for DCD and have done 3 simulation trainings.
   Århus 4 coordinators, DCD-not there at all, would like to hire 1 more, at the moment not allowed
   Odense, now only 6 coordinators (been 8). Have done their first DCD successfully (rapid procurement of kidneys)
   Oslo 7 coordinators, next year hiring new ones due to upcoming retirements. DCD and NRP program
   Skåne 4 new coordinators and hiring 2 more next year. Doing DCD and NRP.
   Tartu 4 coordinators, no DCD program.
   Uppsala 4 coordinators and one starting in January, DCD and NRP program.
Stockholm 5 coordinators, DCD and NRP program.

Gothenburg 7 coordinators, one more next spring and hopefully 2 more later on. DCD and NRP program.

Helsinki now 6 coordinators + 3 thoracic coordinators. Doing DCD and soon starting the NRP program.

Scandiatransplant, The stuff is the same, but Ilse is studying part-time at the University

YASWA news- Ilse
New version of organ form in YASWA- now available to print, we decided to try to use it, so we get used to it. If not possible to print at hospital, you can always put in the missing parts by hand. DCD and DBD have their own organ forms.

Please do not offer an organ without doing it correctly from YASWA. Some centers may have a recipient that is just about to enter the list, and it will be hard for Scandiatransplant to make right statistics of offered organs. When offering split-liver (and ticking the split-liver box) in the end of the offer you can see in which order and patient, the offer should go. Remember split-liver offers are for the specific recipients in the order they are listed.

General feedback/suggestions
The coordinators suggested that it should be a rota-list for kidneys as well. Ulla Plagborg is going to the upcoming NKG meeting, and will bring it up (again). The rotation should be done by country, not center. Countries with more than one center, must have national rotation-lists.

Feedback from pancreas group meeting- Monika
Monika joined the pancreas group meeting and reminded of pancreas offers/ with or without kidney, and the possibility for islets. There is now an ongoing DM1 research, so if countries are allowed to send pancreas for research, please do so. It was decided to write to the NPITG group about updating the recommendations from 2018 and the possibility of sharing serum samples on the immunized patients. Monika will make first draft, share it will Ilse and then NTCG.

Split liver offers
It was discussed at the liver group meeting about the split-livers; Monika reminded us about the split-liver offers/ rules. Are the rules easy to understand? You don’t have to offer the whole liver, just the split. But some surgeons rather send the hole liver, and it is up to the receiving center, if they want to split or reduce the liver.

Other matters
Copenhagen’s problem about feedback after donation, is still a problem, but if they import organs, some feedback will be sent to exporting centers.

A reminder about sending blood samples prior exporting kidneys, it is decided that we don’t have to do it.

Next NTCG meeting will be during STS in Århus on Friday 31.5.2024 10.30-13.30