

Scandiatransplant Nordic Transplantation Coordinator Group Meeting minutes – Oct 6, 2016 Copenhagen



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Frank Pedersen

- **Liver and Kidney-balances.**

All centers discussed the Liver and Kidney-balances.

Lack of capacity has recently been one of the reasons for exporting organs. These organs are written down on the payback-lists. All of the coordinators are united that these organs always should be free organs. Otherwise it should be stated in some kind of Sctp rules.

Still no payback on pancreas when we import Kidney/Pancreas from other centers. Only payback on the kidney.

Frank Pedersen will discuss Pancreas offers, pay backs and ROTA-system on the upcoming NTCG meeting at Arlanda.

- **Procured organs with no usage information**

Some 'old' procured organs are missing information on usage in YASWA. Frank will send a list, with the organs which lack information, to each center.

- **Alternate members in case of absence of ordinary member in NTCG**

It was decided not to designate a special reserve member from each center. If an ordinary member cannot participate it's up to that person to find a substitute and inform the Chair of NTCG.

- **A possibility to see the donor in YASWA before realized.**

Since spring 2016 the access to view potential donors from other countries has been restricted. You are now only able to look up potential donors from your own country. We discussed if we get an organ offer by phone from another country and the Tissue type-lab would like to see the information in YASWA they can't reach it. Is it possible to open up "the system" again so that we all can see all the information? No! We have to remind the offering-center to change "Donation realized" to yes, to make the donor information in Scandiatransplant accessible.

- **Necessary information on DD form.**

Some coordinators do not write down the HLA type on the form. The information is registered in YASWA and the risk for transmission errors is big with all the numbers. Which information is mandatory to write down on DDF? Can some information be removed from the form? All NTCG-member should discuss this with the surgeons at home and after that send a mail to ACC for compilation.

- **Feedback on SMS and email on urgent.**

Every Monday and Thursday the current priority-lists is sent out. At what time? After discussion, it was decided that 10 AM (9 AM Finland) is a good time.

- **Feedback on Security Seals**

All centers are using them and seems to be satisfied.

- **Estonia**

Next year Estonia will probably become an associated member of Scandiatransplant. This will be decided at the Scandiatransplant Representatives Meeting 10th of May 2017.

- **After procurement – Acceptable timespan to register transplantation in YASWA.**

Most of us work a little bit different from the other. After discussions, we decided that all centers must do the transplantation registration in YASWA as soon as possible so that the chain with pairing donor/recipient and termination from WL will run smoothly.

- **Organ offers to Europe**

The EOEO-system is working fine.

France and Italy will not get our organ offers anymore. That is their own wish.

UK will have our offers but do not have the possibility to export due to the cow disease.

- **Withdrawal of urgent recipients in YASWA**

Again, an appeal: Don't withdrawn urgent patients in the middle of the night. If you have a suitable organ for an urgent patient and the patient is already transplanted, you got that information when you call the specific center. All the coordinators in Scandia don't have to be disturbed in the night for a withdrawn message only the center coordinator, whom have the urgent patient, if they get another offer.

- **Tissue Type meeting in Helsinki**

Why do all Tissue type labs need different numbers of blood samples when they import an organ? A doctor from Tissue type lab in Helsinki has send a suggestion to all the other labs in Scandiatransplant to see if all could agree on the same numbers of blood samples. He is waiting for answers from all centers and after that Carola will inform all of us what determined.

In Stockholm, Uppsala and Malmö the Tissue type labs use a new technique that requires a lot of blood. We wait for the results of the questionnaire.....

No research samples when we export organs in Scandiatransplant.

- **Pediatric waiting list**

Many questions about the liver split criteria:

- Is a 13-year-old child that weights 70 kg a suitable recipient for a split liver?
- Should they stay on Pediatric waiting list after they turn 18 years?
- Very difficult to do a pay back of the split livers with an equivalent organ. Both pediatric recipients and UC has higher priority than pay back.....

This will be discussed on the next NLTG meeting 24-25 oct. 2016. Monica from Oslo will participate.

- **Other matters**

Pancreas tx. in Malmö

Waiting lists for single pancreas and combined Kidney/Pancreas is under preparation in Malmö. Only some administration left to do. At the moment Malmö-patients are listed on other centers waiting lists.

Reasons for not following kidney exchange rules

More wishes from Scandiatransplant – If a Kidney is not offered according to the Scandiatransplant rules we have to notify the office or write it down in the system. Sometimes the surgeon decides not to offer and sometimes the recipient-center doesn't accept. The reasons can be many. It's very important to register the reason for not export the kidney.

Lab. reference values

We have a list with Nordic lab. reference values. This needs to update. All countries update at home and send the results to A-C Croon, who compiles the list and sent it by mail to all of us.

National network

Sweden informs about a new national network for coordinators NNTO – The website www.nnto.se is under construction.

The next meeting for NTCG will take place at the airport in Copenhagen the 4th of May 2017