Guidelines for

Deceased organ transplantation of non-Nordic nationals within Scandiatransplant and the use of non-Nordic organs for Scandiatransplant recipients.

- 1. Non-Nordic nationals, whose status in a Nordic country entitles them to receive treatment under the public health care system on the same terms as national subjects of that country, are eligible for organ transplantation within Scandiatransplant.
- 2. Non-Nordic nationals without such status can not claim to be eligible for organ transplantation in the Nordic countries.
- Scandiatransplant members can arrange cooperation agreements that include transplantation of non-Nordic nationals and the use of organs from non-Nordic countries.
 Such agreements are subject to the following provisions:
 - a) they shall only be made with transplant units within formally established organ exchange organisations,
 - b) they shall include training and education to promote good quality organ transplantation programmes,
 - c) they shall attempt to establish a balance between the number of organs made available to Scandiatransplant, and organs applied for transplantation of patients from the organisation in question,
 - d) they shall ensure that non-Nordic patients subject to such agreements shall be selected for transplantation of organs in accordance with the same criteria that apply to Nordic patients,
 - e) they shall not involve payment for organs,
 - f) they shall be presented to and approved by the board of Scandiatransplant.
- 4. Scandiatransplant activities must not give rise to doubts or assumptions regarding organ trading.

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