

Travel Grant Report Form

Name and origin of applicants

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Purpose granted

To study the use of the electronic donor communication database (iSMart) in Malmø University Hospital regarding communication and documentation during the organ donor process.

To visit the Transplant coordinators at Karolinska University Hospital (OFO) to study their strategy regarding communication, registration, organization and education.

Amount granted 15 541 DKK

Time and place of visit

20.04.2017 Malmö University Hospital

21.04.2017 Karolinska University Hospital, Stockholm

Report

We were warmly met and welcomed at both centers, it is of great use to meet each other and get to know the persons behind the voices as we work closely together exchanging organs.

Malmö: We first received a nice presentation regarding the organization and education program. Then we had a close look at the registration database, a presentation regarding the different functions and how they used the database during the organ donor process. We looked into a couple of actual cases and were updated on the actual use. Stockholm: The day was spent with presentations and discussions around the organization, communication, education program and registration. We also got an insight in the startup of the use of the electronic communication database (iSMart, the same as in Malmö).

Evaluation

The two days were well spent and we got some important information to bring back home.

It was very useful for us to see the system that is in use in parts of Sweden. The system seems to work well, although not every center is using it in Sweden yet. To use the system you need a laptop and a personal log in with zitz card.

Oslo University Hospital has identified that the donation and transplant field are in need of an electronic communication tool to ensure that the correct information flow is working properly. The persons involved in the donation and transplantation process needs to be updated with the correct data and we need a feedback system to ensure that the information is received. The visits gave us some important information and insight in the use of the electronic communication tool and the knowledge will help us in our further work to find / develop an electronic communication tool for our needs.

We like to thank Scandiatransplant for giving us the opportunity for this visit and also the transplant coordinators in Malmö and Stockholm for welcoming us in such a nice way.