Transplant Centers’ Policies Toward Marijuana: Time to Turn Over a New Leaf?

Survey

1. Name
2. UNOS center designation
3. What organs does your center transplant?
   a. Liver
   b. Intestine
   c. Kidney
   d. Pancreas/Islet
   e. Heart
   f. Lung
4. Are you a solid organ transplant center program director?
   a. Yes
   b. No
5. Does your transplant center consider marijuana use a risk factor for graft and patient failure greater, similar, or lesser to more commonly accepted relative factors such as cardiac disease, peripheral vascular disease, obesity, old age, and frailty?
   a. Greater
   b. Similar
   c. Lesser
6. Does your transplant center drug test potential transplant recipients?
   a. Yes
   b. No
7. Does your transplant center require potential transplant recipients to stop using all illicit drugs?
   a. Yes
   b. No
8. Does your transplant center test for marijuana?
   a. Yes
   b. No
9. Does your transplant center require potential transplant recipients to stop using marijuana?
   a. Yes
   b. No
10. Does your transplant center require potential transplant recipients to stop smoking marijuana but permit them to take it in other methods?
    a. Yes
    b. No
11. If Yes, which methods?
   a. Edibles
   b. Vaping / E-cigarettes
   c. Topicals
   d. Not applicable

12. Does your center distinguish between those using marijuana for medical indication versus recreational use?
   a. Yes
   b. No

13. For which of the following reasons are you concerned with marijuana use in your potential transplant recipients?
   a. Risk for pulmonary aspergillus
   b. Risk for medication noncompliance
   c. Drug interactions
   d. Other (please specify)

14. If your center requires patients to stop using and a patient tests positive for marijuana, do you?
   a. Deny them listing / remove them from your waitlist
   b. Offer them an opportunity to stop using and stop the workup or put them on hold until certain negative testing criteria are met
   c. Counsel them to stop but do not alter their status with respect to your waitlist because of it

15. Do you require potential transplant recipients to stop using alcohol?
   a. For all organs?
   b. Just for livers?

16. Do you require potential transplant recipients to stop smoking tobacco?
   a. Yes
   b. No

17. Do you require potential transplant recipients to stop using chewing tobacco?
   a. Yes
   b. No