Plan continuing long-term care for overseas and long-distance living donors



Overview

This standard is about fulfilling your responsibilities for making sure that donors are followed up after donation, when they live either a long distance from the transplant unit or overseas.

Users of this standard will need to ensure that practice reflects up to date information and policies.

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 help the donor understand the value of long-term review of blood pressure, renal function, protein excretion
- P2 give the donor copies of medical records/results/letters to take home and ensure they understand their importance and use
- P3 ensure that the appropriate overseas renal unit has been identified
- P4 request copies of long-term follow-up results for audit and research purposes
- P5 liaise with the donor's GP (if UK) or their nearest renal service to request long-term annual review
- P6 arrange follow-up locally for overseas donors
- P7 ask the donor (if an overseas donor) to confirm on their return home that they have made follow-up contact

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 anatomy and physiology of the human body
- K2 anatomy and physiology of the renal system
- K3 general medicine
- K4 psychological care skills
- K5 renal medicine
- K6 overseas renal care facilities
- K7 long-term effects of renal donation
- K8 how to adapt communication styles in ways which are appropriate to different people (e.g. culture, language or special needs)
- K9 the importance of establishing rapport and how to do so
- K10 how to ask questions, listen carefully and summarise back
- K11 the importance of encouraging individuals to ask questions and how to do so
- K12 the religious beliefs of different cultures
- K13 the effects of different cultures and religions on care management and effects on family dynamics
- K14 the principle of confidentiality and what information may be given to whom
- K15 the importance of involving individuals in discussions, and how to do so
- K16 how to negotiate effectively with individuals, families and other professionals
- K17 the principles of evidence-based practice, and how to apply them

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Additional Information

External links

This standard links with the following dimension within the NHS Knowledge and Skills Framework (October 2004):

Dimension: HWB4 Enablement to address health and wellbeing needs

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