

Who should attend:

- Patients considering organ transplant
- Patients currently waiting for an organ transplant
- Family members
- Caregivers
- Students of organ donation/transplantation
- Medical professionals interested in transplantation
- General public interested in donation/transplantation

When:

Saturday, May 10th, 9:00 to 2:00
(with 8 - 9am and 2 - 3pm optional opportunities)



Gift of Life Donor Program offices

Where:

Gift of Life Donor Program
401 North 3rd Street
(corner of Callowhill and 3rd Streets)
Philadelphia, PA 19123

Saturday - May 10th

- 8:00 - 9:00 **Breakfast & Registration & Networking** with other candidates and recipients
- 9:00 - 9:15 **Welcome**
 - Self-introductions
 - Workshop goals
 - Workshop agenda
 - Welcome: Gift of Life Donor Program
- 9:15 - 10:00 **Introduction to the Transplant Network/Process:**
 - Process overview & timeline
 - UNOS
 - “THE List”
 - Waitlist numbers
 - The organ procurement organization (OPO)
 - The transplant center
 - Allocation process (general)
 - Allocation scoring (MELD, LAS, etc.)
 - Resources
- 10:00 - 10:30 **Preparing for Your Transplant:**
 - Listing for transplant (process)
 - Multiple listing
 - Choosing a transplant center
 - The transplant evaluation
 - Questions to ask
 - Waiting for transplant
 - Getting the call
 - Transplant surgery
 - Transplant Family House & other options
- 10:30 - 10:45 **Break**
- 10:45 - 11:15 **Living Donation:**
 - Facts about living donation
 - Donor/candidate relationship
 - Paired exchange kidney option
 - Living donor criteria
 - Getting started
 - Financial aspects
 - Questions to ask
- 11:15 - 12:00 **Developing a Financial Plan:**
 - Support services
 - Transplant social workers
 - Financial coordinators
 - Transplant costs
 - Other costs
 - Financing your transplant
 - Private insurance
 - Government programs (Medicare/Medicaid, etc.)
 - Pharma assistance programs
 - TRICARE
 - State “High Risk” insurance pools
- 12:00 - 12:45 **Lunch & Social Networking**
- 12:45 - 1:30 **Life After Transplant:**
 - Surgical recovery
 - Going home
 - Medications
 - Doctor visits post-transplant
 - Lifestyle changes
 - Back to work/school
 - Joys of life post-transplant
 - Changes (physical/relationships)
 - Communicating with your donor
 - Future technology advances
- 1:30 - 1:45 **Promoting Organ & Tissue Donation:**
 - Donation facts & figures
 - Telling your story
 - Volunteering
- 1:45 - 2:00 **Closing and feedback**
 - Closing summary comments
 - Workshop evaluation survey
 - On-going support
 - Organizations
 - Resources
- 2:00 - 3:00 (optional) **Social networking, tour & mentoring opportunities**
 - Transplant Family House tour

Cost:

None!

Workshop is offered free including breakfast, snacks and lunch thanks to our sponsors and support by Gift of Life Donor Program for the facility use

What to expect:

- Expert education presented by medical professionals and long term post-transplant recipients
- Friendly experienced support
- Social networking opportunities with fellow candidates, caregivers and recipients
- Free protected parking
- Easy access from routes I-95, I-76 and Ben Franklin Bridge from NJ

Workshop format:

- Formal presentations by medical staff and experienced transplant recipients
- Panel discussions
- Supporting handout package for all attendees
- Open Q&A opportunities
- Relaxed casual atmosphere
- Informal conversation opportunities

Workshop offered by:

TRIO Philadelphia chapter

www.triophiladelphia.wordpress.com



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For questions or to register, contact:

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TRIO Philadelphia Transplant Candidate Workshop

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