PEDIATRIC TEACHING FOR KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS



CLINIC VISITS		
WHEN?	2-3 Times Per Week *Transplant Coordinator will schedule your future visits	
WHERE?	Glassrock Building 2521 Stockton Blvd, 2 nd floor sub-specialty clinic Sacramento, CA 95817	
OFFICE HOURS?	Monday thru Thursday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	
WHEN CAN WE COME LESS OFTEN?	After the first 4 weeks and transplant is functioning well, you will be expected to come less often.	
LAB DRAWS	Labs will be done on the same day as clinic visits	

RULES FOR SCHOOL

- Please ask your kidney doctor how long your child will need to stay home from school after surgery (usually 6 weeks).
- Upon return to school, your child should stay away from those who are sick.
- Make sure to wash hands frequently.
- Talk to your kidney doctor before participating in contact sports.

HOME MONITORING				
What to Check	How Often	When to Call		
TEMPERATURE	Daily: Record in Transplant Diary	If temperature is > 100° F		
URINE OUTPUT	Keep count of how many times your child pees every day	lf you notice your child is peeing less than usual		
HOME CARE				
CARING FOR INCISION	 Ok to shower when he or she goes home Avoid baths or swimming until incision is healed Avoid direct water stream to incision 			
URINE	Remember to pee!			
SKIN CARE	 Always apply sunscreen (SPF 45+) when outdoors Limit sun exposure by wearing a hat and long sleeves 			
DRINK WATER	 Fluid intake varies depending on size of transplanted kidney 			
	How much water should	d my child drink?		
	(Please ask your kidney do	octor & fill in blank)		
FOOD SAFETY	Wash all fruits & vegetablesCook meats, fish, poultry, and eggs well			
FOODS TO AVOID	 NO grapefruit or grapefruit juice or pomelo NO raw fish NO rare meat AVOID milk 2 hours BEFORE taking Mycophenolate AVOID milk 2 hours AFTER taking Mycophenolate 			



MEDICATION LIST

ANTI REJECTION	Mycophenolate (Cellcept)			
	Tacrolimus (Prograf)			
ANTI INFECTION	Bactrim			
	Valcyte			
	Fluconazole (Diflucan)			
MAINTENANCE	Aspirin			
	Colace			
	Pepcid			
	Pravastatin			
FAMILY PLANNING				
Because Mycophenolate can cause serious birth defects, unplanned pregnancies are especially risky. When the time comes, please discuss family planning and birth control options with your transplant coordinator or kidney doctor.				
NEW MEDICATIONS				
Please do not start taking new medications, herbals, or supplements without talking to your kidney doctor first.				
MEDIC ALERT ID				
Your child must wear a Medic Alert ID.				
Get the info from the nurse or from medicalert.org.				
Have your child wear it so that every medical person caring for him/her will know that				

he/she had a transplant.

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF: <u>REJECTION</u>	UR KIDNEY DOCTOR SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF: <u>INFECTION</u>
 Increased creatinine Your doctor will notice this in your lab Fast weight gain Fever Decreased urine output Soreness around kidney Flu-like symptoms 	 Chills or Fever Cough with yellow, green, or bloody sputum Headache Shortness of breath Pain/burning with urination Bloody urine Diarrhea, loose or bloody stools Redness or drainage from incision Sore throat, swollen lymph nodes around neck Any unusual type of pain

KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE				
STAY HEALTHY	FLU SHOTS			
 Wash your hands often Avoid sick people Have your child wear a mask when you go to clinic, lab, emergency rooms, airplanes for 6 weeks after transplant 	 All members of the household must get a flu shot every year AVOID vaccine that goes in your nose (FluMist) 			
OTHER SHOTS	WATER			
 NEVER get a live virus vaccine NEVER get a shingles vaccine Ask your transplant doctor before your child receives any vaccines other than the flu shot 	 After wounds are healed, OK to swim in clean ocean water and chlorinated pools Avoid public hot tubs, lakes, rivers, and ponds Keep home hot tubs clean For more information: www.healthyswimming.org 			
DIRT & MOLD	ANIMALS			
 Dirt & mold can cause lung infections Avoid digging in the dirt for the first 6 months after transplant After 6 months, OK to wear gloves & mask when digging dirt Wear mask if you are in dusty air, digging in dirt, working on heating ducts, water pipes, and other damp areas ALWAYS wash hands after touching dirt 	 Keep pets healthy; avoid animals if they are sick Wash hands after touching pet Do not touch pet's poop. Do not clean cat litter box OK to have cats & dogs for pets Do not get pet bird or reptile Talk to the transplant team if you already have a reptile or bird 			
MOSQ	UITOS			
 Avoid mosquito bites because they can cause West Nile Virus Infection Mosquitos are out usually at dawn and dusk Protect your child with: mosquito repellant, long sleeves, getting rid of standing water in your yard For more information: www.cdc.gov.westnile 				