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Thank you for your ongoing efforts to improve processes that advance organ donation and kidney transplantation.

Latest News

ETCLC Announces Two In-person Learning Sessions - April 10th and May 17th

The half day sessions will be held in conjunction with the <u>CMS 2024 Quality Conference</u> in Baltimore, MD, and the <u>NKF 2024 Spring Clinical Meeting</u> in Long Beach, CA. The session topics will vary based on pre-conference survey preferences of attendees. Please share your interests with us by <u>completing the topic assessment</u>. **Register to attend today!** <u>https://www.hsag.com/ETCLC-Events</u>

- The 2024 CMS Quality Conference will be held in Baltimore from April 8-10. <u>Click Here</u> for registration details.
- **Transplant Programs: SRTR Secure Site Reminder** KDPI > 60 kidney acceptance rate monthly data are now available in the <u>SRTR Secure Site</u>.
- QI Teams: Since implementing the Consultancy Model, a form of Peer-to-peer problem solving, 87% of
 respondents indicated that they "have found it to be a valuable method for generating ideas in our QI Team."
 Please join your QI Team calls each month.

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Upcoming Events & Registration Links

Wed. 2/21	2-3 p.m. ET	ETCLC Year 3: Mid-Year Learning & Action Network	<u>Register Today</u>
		March is National Kidney Month	For more information
		March 14 th is World Kidney Day 2024	For more information
Wed. 3/20	1-2 p.m. ET	ETCLC Pacing Event: Human Centered Design Process	Register Today
Wed. 4/10	8:30-noon	ETCLC In-person Learning Session (Baltimore, MD)	Register Today
Fri. 5/17	8:30-noon	ETCLC In-person Learning Session (Long Beach, CA)	Register Today

Bright Ideas

- Some transplant programs are utilizing histocompatibility and immunology lab results to conduct a virtual crossmatch to quickly identify suitable candidates on the expedited transplant list.
- An OPO conducted a survey with one of its donor hospitals (DHs) to better understand the hospital staff's perceptions and needs regarding donation, such as timing and type of communication and level of staff support. The DH also asked that the OPO staff take the same survey. After reviewing the findings of both surveys together, the OPO and DH identified and addressed areas of improvement including, clarifying the purpose of team huddles, improving the timeliness of referrals to the OPO, and identifying professional education opportunities for DH staff.

Congratulations to ETCLC members that achieved a record number of donations or transplants in 2023 and grew their program!

For additional emerging practices, review the <u>Consultancy Summaries</u> available in the Progress Tracker's > Resources tab.

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Commonly Used Acronyms: DCD=Donation after Circulatory Death. KDPI=Kidney Donor Profile Index. LAN=Learning & Action Network. OPO=Organ Procurement Organization. PFR=Patient & Donor Family. PSR=Program Specific Reports. SRTR=Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients. UNOS=United Network for Organ Sharing.