

# Everything ETCLC

First Edition | August 2022

Welcome to the first edition of the monthly ESRD Treatment Choices Learning Collaborative (ETCLC) update! With evolving interests and full calendars, we are introducing our community wide, “Everything ETCLC” communication. In August, we transition to end our first year and launch into the second year of the collaborative. We will continue to ensure our transplant, donation, and renal community partners stay informed of the valuable efforts each month. Thank you to our volunteer members, coaches, faculty, and supporters for an incredible inaugural year.

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*“I wouldn’t be here, without their ‘Yes’.” | Timmy N, ETCLC Patient & Donor Family Representative (PFR) Referring to first person authorization during a recent Pacing Event. Thank you for your advocacy, your passion, and for sharing your experience with us, Timmy.*

## UPDATE ON ETCLC AIMS





**What are the goals of the ETCLC?** The ETCLC identifies highly effective practices currently in use to spread throughout the organ procurement, kidney care and kidney transplant community to achieve the following three Aims:

**Aim #1:** Increase the number of deceased donor kidneys transplanted

**Aim #2:** Decrease the current national discard rate of all procured kidneys

**Aim #3:** Increase the percentage of change for kidneys recovered for transplant greater than 60 Kidney Donor Profile Index (KDPI) score group

As of May 2022, the Collaborative is on pace to meet or exceed two of the three Aims. During Year 2, collaborative members will explore and pursue more work around decreasing the discard rate.

National Aims	Aim	Target	Projection	Status
 Through 04/30/2022	<b>Aim #1 – Increased Deceased Kidney Transplants</b>	18,988	19,566	
	<b>Aim #2 – Decreased Discard Rate</b>	19.6%	26.6%	
	<b>Aim #3 – Increase % of 60-85 KDPI recovered for Transplant</b>	6,818	7,189	

\*SRTR Data, May 2022

**Who is involved in the ETCLC?** During the Fall of 2021, the ESRD Treatment Choices Learning Collaborative enrolled more than 80% of US transplant centers, 90% of Organ Procurement Organizations (OPOs) plus the two largest donor hospitals in each OPO’s donor service area. Together these organizations represent more than 400 organizations, working in 25 separate Quality Improvement (QI) Donation and Transplant Teams, including one Pediatric Team.

Professional organizations and patient advocacy groups are organized into the Leadership Coordinating Council (LCC), while the National Faculty provides oversight on the work to enhance the ETCLC Kidney Donation and Kidney Utilization Change Packages.

## QI TEAMS

Each QI Team is led by a QI Coach and Co-Coach to collaborate and change practice to meet the three ETCLC Aims.

**Did You Know?** In the first 90 days, participating institutions have reported progress on more than 208 quality improvement initiatives in the ETCLC community. The majority of the current initiatives focus on Aim #1, increasing deceased donor transplants, using the ‘Right Systems’ strategies from the Change Package. However, more than 34, or 16%, of initiatives have been reported as “New” Action Items not currently in a Change Package.

*We look forward to hearing more on these initiatives in Year 2!*

**Hot Topics:** QI Teams are engaging in exciting dialogue around topics such as increasing utilization and decreasing discard rates. There is also a great opportunity to ask questions of patient and donor family representatives. Join the conversation and let your voice be heard on [Slack](#)! Teams are also continuing to come up with unique and meaningful team names. Our latest is “Keepin’ it Renal!” (Team D19C). Please continue to share ideas, resources, and innovations to keep this learning collaborative fun and forward-thinking!



## AUGUST CALENDAR OF ETCLC EVENTS

Events and presenters are subject to change without notice. [Click Here](#) to log into the KSP for real time updates.

Day, Date	Time (ET)	Event Type	Audience / Estate
Tues, August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Monthly QI Coaches & Co-Coaches Meeting	QI Team Coaches & Co-Coaches
Wed, August 24 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Pacing Event   TEAM T02E	All Members Welcome
Thurs, August 25 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Open Office Hours   Ask TAQIL	All Members Welcome
Wed, September 7 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Pacing Event   Team D16E	All Members Welcome
Wed, September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Noon – 1:00 pm	Case Study   Team T04E	All Members Welcome
Tues, September 20 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 – 6:00 pm	ETCLC National Faculty Monthly Meeting	National Faculty Members
Wed, September 21 <sup>st</sup>	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Pacing Event   Team T03E	All Members Welcome
Tues, September 27 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Monthly QI Coaches & Co-Coaches Meeting	QI Team Coaches & Co-Coaches
Wed, September 28 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Case Study   Team D17E	All Members Welcome

### **Pacing Events & Case Studies 2022-23**

Beginning in August 2022, ETCLC Quality Improvement (QI) Teams will provide updates and insights from real-time initiatives taking place within their organizations. Q&A will follow all presentations; attendee insights, experience and recommendations are encouraged.

**What is the difference between an ETCLC Case Study and a Pacing Event?** Pacing Events offer a Best Practice, Process or Procedure and are available bi-weekly. A Case Study refers to a specific Clinical Case or Barrier Discussion and is offered twice monthly. (*Learning Sessions are available most Wednesdays throughout the Year and led by QI Teams.*)

**In Case You Missed It (ICYMI):** ETCLC held their inaugural Learning and Action Network (LAN) event, “ETCLC: Celebrating our First Year & Launching the 2022-23 Roadmap” on July 20th. During the session we reflected on the efforts made in the first year and previewed activities and opportunities that lie ahead for the second year of the Collaborative.

Catch up on the first year of the ETCLC and view the recorded session today. [Click Here to Watch the Recording.](#)

## RESOURCES & LINKS

[ETCLC Public Website](#) | Bookmark this site to learn more about the collaborative.

### ETCLC PARTICIPANT SITES

*(Accessibility is limited to participating ETCLC organizations)*

[Knowledge Sharing Platform \(KSP\)](#) | Available to one representative per participating organization to access QI Team resources, Calendar events and Recordings & Materials from all Pacing Events & Case Studies. (requires [HARP](#) access)

[ETCLC Dashboard](#) | Provides monthly progress updates on the Three Aims (requires [HARP](#) access)

[Slack](#) | This peer-to-peer, searchable platform, offers a collaborative space to discuss special topics when members want to communicate; available 24/7/365. (requires [HARP](#) access, open to all participants.) Submit your request to [join Slack here](#).

Do you have questions on KSP, HARP or Slack? Email us for assistance today.

### Contact the TAQIL Team

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