# Pancreas and kidney/pancreas transplant selection criteria

# With Status 7

Our unique combination of a responsibly aggressive organ acceptance rate and high rates of patient survival has made Piedmont Transplant Institute (PTI) a national leader in kidney and pancreas transplantation.

We assess each patient individually but do apply the following guidelines:

#### **INDICATIONS**

- Type I or select Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus
- Mentally competent
- Patient desires a pancreas or combined kidney and pancreas transplant (if has kidney disease)
- Insulin dependent
- Candidates are 18 years of age or older

#### **EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

# Absolute Contraindications

- · Severe chronic lung disease
- · Significant, nonreversible cardiac disease
- Significant vascular disease
- Uncontrolled diabetes with HbA1c greater than 11
- Positive Hepatitis B surface antigen or positive Hep B DNA PCR
- Candidate Unwilling to accept blood products
- Unstable major psychiatric disorders
- Inability to understand risks of transplant and care for self afterward (informed consent) without adequate domestic support
- Tobacco use (smoking, vaping, or smokeless)
- Active substance abuse (other than alcohol and marijuana)
- · Chronic alcohol or marijuana use in the setting of
  - » Dependence/addiction
  - » Adverse effects on health
  - » Moderate-severe psychiatric disease or history of noncompliance that will make it difficult to adhere to a post-transplant regimen
- Marijuana smoking in setting of:
  - » Chronic Lung Disease
  - » Hypotension requiring midodrine or other agents
  - » Coronary Artery Disease
  - » Peripheral Vascular Disease: ischemic stroke, prior amputation, vascular angioplasty/stenting bypass (renal or lower extremity arteries), carotid disease by US, carotid endarterectomy



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# **EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

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#### **Relative Contraindications**

- Active malignancy, or incompletely treated malignancy (excluding nonmelanoma skin cancers)
- History of complex malignancy
- Uncontrolled HIV (if viral load undetectable, patient can be considered for transplant)
- Hepatitis C with positive viral load (will require treatment)
- BMI greater than 35
- Age greater than 50
- · Active infection
- · Active peptic ulcer disease
- Irreversible anticoagulant use
- Midodrine
- Use of a Direct Oral Anticoagulant (DOAC), warfarin, or dual antiplatelet therapy
- Active immunologic disease
- Advanced liver disease (unless patient considered for Pancreas/Liver Transplant)
- Financial/social support issues that make it unlikely that the patient will be able to sustain successful transplantation
- Inability to manage a complex regimen
- Psychiatric disease, mild to moderate
- Dementia or severe cognitive disorder
- Debility/mobility with poor rehabilitation potential
- Evidence of previous substance abuse, abstinent less than 6 months
- Marijuana use
- Noncompliance
- Incomplete work up
- Inability to form therapeutic relationship with care team
- Probation, unresolved criminal charges or pending criminal investigations
- Incarceration

# **STATUS 7 CRITERIA**

Status 7 will be initiated, or the patient's status may be changed, if one or more of the following circumstances are present:

### Indications

- BMI greater than 35
- Mandatory need for new cardiac testing
- Mandatory need for new medical testing
- · Significant change in medical status
- Nonverifiable insurance and need for new insurance authorization
- Reversible psychosocial barrier

If you have any questions, or for more information, we can be reached at: 888.605.5888 or 404.605.4600

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