


<p>Name of Policy: <u>Donor Organ for Transplant Packing Policy</u></p> <p>Policy Number: 3364-140-43</p> <p>Department: Transplant Administration (Nursing Service)</p> <p>Approving Officer: Associate VP Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer Director, Renal Transplant Program</p> <p>Responsible Agent: Transplant Coordinator</p> <p>Scope: The University of Toledo Medical Center</p>	 <p>Effective Date: January 1, 2024 Initial Effective Date: 3/8/2012</p>
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(A) Policy Statement

The policy is to ensure that approved packaging and shipping regulations are used during recovery of living donor kidneys being shipped to another transplant center.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To comply with OPTN/UNOS regulations regarding shipping of organs for transplant. The University of Toledo Medical Center (UTMC) has a standing contract with Life Connection of Ohio (LCO) the local Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) for packaging all recovered living kidneys that are being shipped to another transplant center for transplantation. These transplants are made possible by the paired exchange program. It is the policy that UTMC along with LCO will follow the UNOS policy 16.0 regarding standardized packaging of human organs and tissue typing materials.

(C) Procedure

1. Standard organ package specifications will be used in accordance with UNOS policy.
2. Standard package label specifications will be used in accordance with UNOS policy.
3. Transportation responsibility will be in accordance with UNOS policy.

