



The Pediatric Transplant Program

- Expert and comprehensive pediatric renal care for children and adolescents.
- Expertise in immunosuppressant therapies and other medications that address the immune response and medical issues of young patients.
- Diagnosis and treatment of rare and progressive conditions that can lead to disease in children
- The hospital is equipped to provide both peritoneal dialysis and hemodialysis to inpatients.
- Our team is also committed to performing research in an effort to improve treatment and outcomes in pediatric patients with advanced kidney disease.

For additional information on the Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Center or to schedule an appointment for evaluation, please contact us at:

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About your procedure and stay at RWJ

- Surgery is performed by board-certified UNOS approved transplant surgeons.
- Families can wait in the comfort of our surgical waiting area. Once the procedure is complete, the transplant surgeon will speak with the family in person to update them on your condition.
- You should plan to be in the hospital for four to ten days.
- Following surgery, your transplant team will continue to educate you and your family about life after transplant.

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The Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Center

Transforming Life
Through Transplantation

2 Convenient Locations:

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital
10 Plum Street, 7th Floor, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

RWJ Kidney Transplant Evaluation
at Jersey Shore University Medical Center
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The Kidney and Pancreas Transplant Center at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (RWJ) will guide you through your transplant experience. The physicians, faculty, and staff at RWJ and Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School will work with you to safely and efficiently move you through the transplantation process. Our program is personalized to fit your needs and through our academic medical center, you will have access to the latest research and clinical trials.

Getting an early start on the transplant process not only leads to better outcomes overall, but also contributes to a better quality of life after transplant.

Your First Evaluation

Your first appointment with the RWJ team will last approximately four hours.

Personalized Care

You will meet with a variety of transplant team members to help personalize your care plan, including:

- Transplant nephrologist
- Transplant surgeon
- Nurse coordinator
- Transplant dietitian
- Social worker
- Transplant financial counselor

Testing

- Once we have all of the necessary information, the transplant team at RWJ will evaluate your case and determine if you are a candidate for a new kidney.

About The Waiting List

- Patients who meet the criteria for a kidney transplant are placed on the national waiting list maintained by the United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS).
- Kidneys are matched based on blood type, tissue type, medical suitability, and length of time on the list.

Living Donor Program

Each year dialysis takes a toll on your heart and your health. Patients are encouraged to seek living donors, who will substantially shorten your time on dialysis.

Advantages:

- Notably higher success rates
- Shorter hospital stays
- Require less immunosuppression
- Laparoscopic surgery for donors

Paired exchange program:

- If you have an incompatible donor, you and your donor may choose to be entered in the paired exchange program. Your donor will donate his or her kidney to a compatible recipient and another living donor will donate a kidney to you.

Donor Champion Program:

- Allows you to identify someone who will help you find a donor (or living donor).

