Pre-Transplant Verification for All Recipients

When does surgery begin?

Prior to organ arrival in OR

Verification by two licensed healthcare professionals

- While intended recipient is in the OR
- Before induction of anesthesia
- If continuous sedation prior to OR, verification done prior to incision

What is verified?

- Expected donor’s ID
- Expected organ and laterality
- Expected donor blood type and subtype
- Recipient’s ID
- Recipient’s blood type
- Donor and recipient are compatible or intended compatible by blood type

After organ arrival in OR

Verification by transplant surgeon and another licensed healthcare professional

- While intended recipient is in the OR
- After the organ arrives, but prior to organ anastomosis

What is verified?

- Donor’s ID
- Organ type and laterality
- Donor blood type and subtype
- Recipient’s ID
- Recipient’s blood type
- Donor and recipient are compatible or intended compatible by blood type
- Correct organ and correct recipient

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Pre-Recovery Verification – Living Donor

Verification by recovery surgeon and licensed healthcare professional

Prior to induction of general anesthesia

- Donor ID
- Organ type to be recovered and laterality
- Blood type and subtype
- Intended recipient’s unique identifier
- Intended recipient’s blood type
- Donor and intended recipient are compatible or intended incompatible
- Correct donor organ is identified for correct intended recipient

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Pre-Recovery Verification – Deceased Donor

Verification by recovery surgeon and qualified healthcare professional

Prior to organ recovery

Pre-recovery ABO verification for all donors
- Donor ID
- Organ type to be recovered and laterality
- Blood type and subtype

Known intended recipient
- Intended recipient’s unique identifier
- Intended recipient’s blood type
- Donor and intended recipient are compatible or intended incompatible

Unknown intended recipient
- ABO verification process is complete

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