

Policy

To the Eurotransplant International Board

Committee: Eurotransplant Tissue Typing Advisory Committee (TTAC)
Number: P-TTAC01.16
Title: **Changed date of outdated screening**
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For logistical reasons serum screenings should become outdated after 180 days instead of after 150 days.

Rationale and goal

Sera from all kidney patients on the waiting list must be screened for HLA specific antibodies every three months. At the moment, screenings become outdated if older than 150 days. This current limit of 150 days sometimes gives problems of logistical nature.

Scientific base

No scientific basis. Screening according to EFI guidelines. Policy change is suggested to prevent that a patient is not selected because the relevant sera are not yet screened and present in the donor center.

Involved parties

ETKAC//TTAC/ transplantation centers.

Concurrence with other organ allocation procedures

None.

Impact on current national guidelines

None.

Concurrence with other IT innovations within Eurotransplant

None.

Impact for development

<100 hours.

Follow-up analysis

The number of outdated screenings will decrease, which is beneficial for the patients.