STARTING THE DONOR PROCESS

As a potential living donor my initial steps are:

- Phone screen to discuss living donor criteria and evaluation process with a member of the living donor team.
- Complete the Personal History, Living Donor Evaluation Consent and Medical Release forms and return them to the living donor team for review.
- Follow directions from living donor team to complete ABO blood type and cross-match labs. If those tests indicate the donor is a match with the potential recipient, the next phase of testing will include:

  ✓ Medical & Surgical Evaluation
  ✓ 24 hour urine collection
  ✓ Laboratory (Viral screens including HIV testing (information brochure enclosed), Comprehensive blood panel, and 2 hour glucose testing)
  ✓ Chest x-ray
  ✓ Electrocardiogram (EKG)
  ✓ Health maintenance tests from primary care physician (PSA/ Breast Exam, Mammography, Pap and pelvic, Colonoscopy and Tuberculosis skin test)
  ✓ Psychosocial Evaluation
  ✓ Additional testing (stress echo, colonoscopy, etc.)

FINANCIAL RISKS OF EVALUATION

I understand that the expense of the evaluation and surgery will be paid by the recipients insurance.

I understand that one consequence of going through the donor evaluation is the possibility of discovering medical conditions I did not know I had. Certain discoveries may require more testing at the donor’s expense. It is possible that future health problems related to donation may not be covered by my insurance.

I understand and agree that future premiums for disability, and/or life insurance may be higher due to this donation. I understand and agree that I also may not be able to get disability, and/or life insurance in the future.

I understand that it is against federal law to sell or purchase a human organ or accept any valuable consideration in exchange for being a donor.

MEDICAL RISKS OF EVALUATION

- Allergic reactions to contrast
- Discovery of reportable infections
- Discovery of serious medical conditions
- Discovery of adverse genetic findings unknown to the donor
- Medical abnormalities that require unexpected decisions on the part of the transplant team.
PATIENT RIGHTS

I understand that my personal health information will be kept confidential. If I desire to have my donor transplant workup information shared with the recipient I must disclose the information myself.

Please initial at the bottom of this box if we have your permission to disclose the results of the blood crossmatch and your name with your potential recipient. If you choose not to initial, it will be your responsibility to discuss this information with the potential recipient. ALL other personal health information will be kept confidential.

I understand that if I am turned down as a donor at Saint Mary’s, I am free to go to another transplant center to be evaluated as a potential donor.

I understand at any time during the evaluation process, prior to the surgery, I am free to decide, for any reason that I no longer wish to become a living kidney donor.

I understand that I will be provided a Living Donor Advocate, whose responsibilities are to promote my best interests, advocate on my behalf, assist me in understanding the consent process, evaluation process, surgical procedure, medical and psychosocial risks and the benefit and need for follow-up post donation.

I understand that I will have an opportunity to discuss the medical and surgical risks of kidney donation with the transplant surgeon and nephrologist.

My consent below means I have read and understand this informed consent and desire to start the donor evaluation process. If you do not understand the above information, do not sign this form.

Patient Name (please print) ______________________________________________________________

Patient’s Signature ___________________________ Date ___________ Time ________

☐ If I am not a match for the person I'm hoping to donate to, I would consider donating to someone else on the waitlist as a non-directed donor. (This does not commit you to this option. It just helps the Donor Team provide you with education and options.)

☐ If I am not a match for the person I'm hoping to donate to, I would consider donating in the paired donation system. (This does not commit you to this option. It just helps the Donor Team provide you with education and options.)