

LUNG TRANSPLANTATION FOR COVID-19:

A guide for referring physicians

Who to refer

- Patients with severe, irreversible, single organ lung failure, who would otherwise be a candidate based on transplant center protocols
- Patients who are alert, able to participate in the decision-making process
- Patients who are able to participate in rehabilitation

Why refer

Lung transplantation is a potentially lifesaving therapy for patients who have had COVID-19 and now have:

- Irreversible fibrotic ARDS
- Severe, chronic fibrotic lung disease

When should you refer

- At least 4-6 weeks after onset of severe injury and development of fibrotic changes
- After allowing sufficient time for lung recovery
- After a negative test for SARS-CoV-2

How to refer

Call 800-TEMPLE-MED to arrange for a patient consultation with the lung transplant team.

To transfer a patient to Temple University Hospital for an urgent consultation call the Temple Transplant Center at 215-707-TRAN (8729) for 24/7 service.