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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Gopal JP described “COVID-19 pandemic-building organizational flexibility to scale transplant program” It is a nice checklist for a local transplant center. Transplant centers in the US follow recommendations by UNOS, ASTS or local checklist according to the situation of the city or cases in the hospital. It will be good to know if the authors implemented their protocol, started transplantation, and report their outcome.

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In this difficult time of a pandemic with serious consequences at all levels of the health and social security system, the authors analyze the adaptation of professionals and institutions responsible for transplant organ transplantation programs, for their appropriate behaviors in the present and in the future, to safeguard maximum the correct continuity of this indispensable medical solution for the society of the 21st century. In their manuscript the authors suggest that the performance of emergency transplants for the maintenance of the life of the patient such as the kidney, pancreas and small intestine, it must be the decision of each individual case. In this regard, it is interesting to mention the publication by Brian J. Boyarsky et al., (Early impact of COVID - 19 on transplant center practices and policies in the United States. *Am J Transplant.* 2020 May 10: 10.1111 / ajt.15915. Doi: 10.1111 / ajt.15915), mentioning a national survey performed between March 24, 2020 and March 31, 2020 linked to COVID 19 and transplantation. In this poll complete suspension of live donor kidney transplantation was reported by 71.8%, and 67.7% on live donor liver. While complete suspension of deceased donor transplantation was less frequent. Some restrictions to deceased donor kidney transplantation were reported by 84.0% and to deceased donor liver by 73.3%. As well, it is of interest, as a complement to this analysis to comment the recent publication: (The COVID 19 rapid guideline: renal transplantation. NICE guideline [NG178.] Published date: June 19, 2020 <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng178>). Finally, I consider that although this study evokes a current reality to the current literature on the matter, it does not contribute with major new concepts of interest on this demanding problem.

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Well written article articulating their views and experiences on transplants during COVID-19