



# KPD News

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## What has happened in KPD since the start of the pandemic?

At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic 14 centers inactivated in kidney paired donation. All but one center has reactivated. The addition of new pairs and non-directed donor's in the system, however, has remained slow. In response, the **OPTN Kidney Paired Donation Pilot Program has changed our match run schedule to every other Tuesday**. View the full schedule on the announcement section in the KPD application in [UNet](#). New additions are beginning to increase and we hope to begin running the match runs weekly again soon.

## Donor Pre-select

### Have you seen the changes we made to the donor pre-select earlier this year?

- **New fields added:** donor weight; kidney donating (right vs. left vs. either); and number of vessels
- **More readable format:** Rows now alternate colors and HLA listing
- **Link to donor medical record:** Easily view the matched donor medical record by clicking on the orange link

### Improving KPD by maximizing the benefits of donor pre-selection:

**Improvement:** In August 2018, UNOS began sending weekly reminder emails to transplant centers who have at least one candidate with at least one donor to pre-select.

**Data:** Data shows 8.3% of centers are not utilizing the pre-select at all and of those who are using it, 32.1% are accepting *all* donors. Centers that did not pre-refuse any potential matches have a higher refusal rate (55.5%) and lower match success rate (3.6%) than centers that submitted at least one pre-refusal (refusal rate 47.3% and match success rate 12.8%). See table below.

**Question:** Are centers who are pre-accepting all donors accurately assessing these donors prior to accepting?

Center Type	N Centers	N Candidates	Total Match Offers	Transplants	Refusals	Outright Refusals	Match Success Rate	Match Refusal Rate	Outright Refusal Rate
Centers that did NOT pre-refuse any potential matches	18	45	110	4	106	61	3.6%	96.4%	55.5%
Centers that submitted at least one pre-refusal	59	395	894	114	780	423	12.8%	87.2%	47.3%

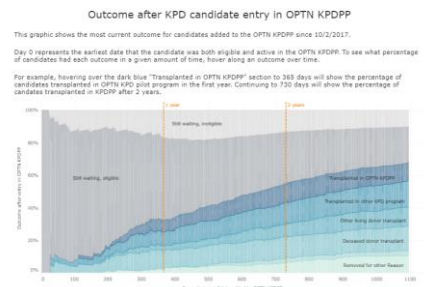
## Contact us if you need help maximizing the benefits of the donor pre-select.

### Ever wonder about the outcomes of candidates after they enter KPD?

How many are transplanted in KPD? With a deceased donor? How many are removed? Still waiting?

Find the answer to this and more data questions, by visiting the **KPD Data Dashboard**

Go to [UNet](#) >>Resources>>Data Services>>Visual Analytics>>KPD Data Dashboard



### Questions, need help, or have an improvement suggestion?

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