

# The Starzl Spotlight

May 2023

# **2023 Donate Life Month Recap**

- On April 7, we wore green to honor Logan Boulet, whose decision to become an organ donor saved six lives and inspired the Logan Boulet Effect. Green Shirt Day is dedicated to raising awareness for organ donation and inspiring others to register as donors.
- Thank you to Dr. Diana Shellmer from UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh for hosting a webinar for our Patient & Family Voice on the aspects of post-transplant psychosocial functioning.
  - On April 14, we wore blue and green to honor organ donors and their families, celebrate the lives saved through transplantation, and inspire more people to register as donors!
  - Thank you to Albireo and Takeda for supporting the Burden of Genius virtual screening during Pediatric Transplant Week. Over 100 people were able to stream Dr. Thomas Starzl's incredible journey in the field of organ transplantation!



# Starzl Network Resources

- Post-Transplant Care Videos
- Transplant Specific Blood Test Info Sheet
- Rejection/Immunosuppression FAQ
- Fundraising Resources
- Patient & Family Voice Testimonials
- School Resource Packet
- Education Animation for Young Patients
- Many, many more!

Scan QR code for our full

library of resources!





Follow Joy's Transplant
Journey on our resource
page to learn how she
teaches our younger
transplant patients to live the
healthy way, every day!

# Save the Date!



#### 2023 Starzl Network Spring Virtual Meeting

Who: All Network Members Date: Sunday, May 21, 2023 Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm ET Location: Hosted on Zoom

#### Registration:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023StarzlSpringMtg



#### 2023 Starzl Network In-Person Meeting

Who: Providers attending SPLIT
Date: Sunday, October 15, 2023
Time: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm ET
Location: Hotel Bonaventure Montréal

#### Registration:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023StarzIMontreal

# Walk for Children's - June 3

The Starzl Network is happy to be part of the 2023 Walk for Children's and excited to invite your participation. Whether you live locally or out of town, you can be part of our Team and invite your own families and centers to join the efforts, too!

# WALK for CHILDREN'S EVERY / STEP / COUNTS presented by UPMC | UPMC HEALTH PLAN

#### Join the Starzl Network Team:

https://fundraise.givetochildrens.org/goto/StarzlNetworkJoin **Donate:** 

http://fundraise.givetochildrens.org/goto/starzlnetwork2023



# **Starzl Data Mart Updates**

- Do you need access to the Data Mart?
  - Send login requests to <u>C.J. Confair</u>
- Deidentified data file is available via a request to the DUPC – Contact <u>Jim Squires</u>
   <u>Rene Romero</u>
- Basecamp group for data mart resources and to ask questions – Contact C.J. Confair
- Starzl Network Data Mart Access
  - https://starzlnetwork.org/data-mart/

# **Manuscript Updates**

**Anticoagulation Team,** *Pediatric Transplantation*: Factors associated with thrombotic and hemorrhagic complications in pediatric liver transplant. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1111/petr.14521">https://doi.org/10.1111/petr.14521</a>

Transition of Care Team, ATC Poster Presentation: Outcomes Of Pediatric Liver Transplant Recipients After Transfer From Pediatric To Adult Healthcare: A Report From The Starzl Network

Immunosuppression Team, in submission: Impact of early immunosuppression on pediatric liver transplant outcomes within one year: a parallel analysis of the United Network for Organ Sharing and the Society for Pediatric Liver Transplant Registry

### Mental Health Testimonial - 15-year-old Liver Transplant Recipient

"I had a liver transplant 14 years ago, with my dad as the living donor. Therapy has made a difference in my life relating to transplant and health because it makes me feel listened to and understood even though my therapist hasn't been through anything like I have. Therapy for me is a judgment free zone where you can talk about anything and everything and always feel at peace. Therapists are open to talk about everything with you no matter if it's a needle to the arm or an upcoming surgery. No matter what it is I want to talk about in my session, my feelings will always get validated which is such a good feeling. I found my therapist through a recommendation from a neighbor who is a therapist. What surprised me the most about my therapy experience was how much it would help me and make me feel better in the long run. Therapy isn't just to talk about one certain thing for your session but to talk about whatever is on your mind both high and lows. It has helped me grow as a person in a healthier way and at my own pace."