



The Starzl Spotlight

February 2024



2024 Annual Meeting | Orlando, Florida

Thank you to all that were able to join us for our 2024 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida! A big thank you to our co-host, AdventHealth for Children!



Annual Meeting Special Guests



Our first session of the annual meeting was kicked off by Cindy Citrone! Thank you to Cindy and Citrone 33 for your partnership and support of the Starzl Network.



Dr. David Mulligan, former UNOS president and transplant surgeon at Yale University, gave the keynote presentation on Friday discussing OPTN Modernization & Pediatric Prioritization.



Reminder: Please complete the 2024 Annual Meeting Evaluation!



Annual Meeting Presentations

There were many great discussions at the meeting. Over the course of Thursday and Friday, we heard many updates and ideas during the following sessions:

- Network Status & Strategy
- Patient & Family Voice Updates
- PARTNER AD³vance
- OPTN Modernization & Pediatric Prioritization
- Immunosuppression Consensus Protocol Development
- Patient Panel
- Industry Spotlight
- Data Mart Strategies

If you missed any of the sessions, or would like any additional information, all presentations are posted on Basecamp! If you need access, please contact C.J. or Lauren!

Patient Panel

Our patients and families shared their experiences with us during the patient panel. This included information about their transplant journey, barriers they have faced, and any advice they could give to someone going through their own transplant journey. Thank you to Jacob, Lindsey, Rylie, Emma, and Sammy for sharing your stories and reminding us of the purpose of the Starzl Network!



Action Items

Our PARTNER AD³vance team needs your help in recruiting Transplant Youth Partners (TYP). The first cohort is for individuals who were transplanted as a child and are now between 21 and 28 years of age. To apply to be a TYP, please scan the QR code to the right! If you have any questions, please reach out to [Emily Perito](#) or [Jim Squires](#).



The Starzl Network Walk for Children's team is now live! Please consider joining us in person, virtually, or by giving a donation. 100% of the donations go directly to the Network. Sign up here!



Starzl Network members who are eligible for travel support should submit receipts to Lauren, bodil@upmc.edu, by March 31.