

Webinar Series

NATCO 2026 Webinar Series

Call for Webinar Presentations

Webinar Intent and Topics for Submission:

We invite you to share your best practices, quality improvement initiatives, innovative approaches, or research projects in the areas listed below. Many webinar attendees have over a decade of experience in the field, and your unique insights, regardless of your organization's size or structure, can make a meaningful impact. What may be routine for you could be transformative for others. NATCO is committed to providing a platform for you to share your work, and your colleagues have specifically requested presentations on the following topics:

Abdominal Transplant

- *Infectious Disease & Treatment*
- *Post-Transplant Care*
- *Immunology*
- *Advanced Clinical Practice*
- *Living Donation*
- *Paired Exchange*
- *Xenotransplant*
- *Social Work/Psychosocial/Caregiver Support System*
- *Public Policy and Allocation*
- *Pediatric Practices*
- *Staffing Practices, Models, and Concerns*
- *Decreasing Discard Rates/Increasing Utilization Rates*

Thoracic Transplant

- *Infectious Disease & Treatment*
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Procurement

- *Donor Related Research and Innovative Practices*
- *Thoracic Recruitment*
- *Innovative and Advanced Donor Management*
- *Allocation Practices (high BMI donors, neonatal donor allocation, marginal donor allocation, expedited allocation, etc.)*
- *DCD Practices (Normothermic Regional Perfusion, intact neurological function cases, etc.)*
- *Decreasing Discard Rates/Increasing Utilization Rates*
- *Preservation and Perfusion Advancements and Organ Recovery*
- *International Allocation*
- *Staffing Practices, Models, and Concerns*

Hospital Engagement

- *Inspired Hospital Engagement*
- *Innovative Physician Partnerships*
- *Creative Stakeholder Education*
- *HD Staff Development*
- *Data & Report Showcase*
- *Process Improvement Collaborations*
- *Palliative Care Partnerships*
- *Educational Events and Hospital Awards*
- *Using Social Media to Enhance Relationships and Provide Positive Feedback*
- *DCD Best Practices (Normothermic Regional Perfusion, First Person Authorization, etc.)*

Family Authorization

- *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*
- *Creative Donor Family Events*
- *Authorization Advanced Practices*
- *DCD Best Practices (First Person Authorization, etc.)*
- *Complicated Authorization Case Studies*
- *Creative Partnerships with Palliative Care and Hospice*
- *Innovative Community Outreach and Education Initiatives*
- *Best Practices for Early Engagement with Families.*
- *Pediatric Family Approach*

Leadership

- *Quality Improvement*
- *Leadership/Mentorship*
- *Building Stronger Work Teams*
- *Mobilizing and Engaging Leaders*
- *Building Sustainable Business Models*
- *CMS Regulations*
- *Organizational Growth*
- *Mergers and Acquisitions*
- *Emergency and Disaster Preparedness*
- *Transplant Center and OPO Relationships*
- *Artificial Intelligence*

Hospital Partners

- *DCD Best Practices*
- *Ethical Concerns and Considerations*
- *Overcoming Process Hurdles and Process Improvements*
- *Collaboration Between the Donor Hospital and the OPO*
- *Improving Conversion Rates and Utilization Rates*
- *Donor Care Unit*
- *Family Communication and Support*
- *Role of the ICU Nurse*
- *Exemplary Donor Case Studies*
- *Transplant Center Collaboration Models*
- *Non-Transplant Center Partnerships*
- *Emerging Opportunities*

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to share your successes and create a world of possibilities for professional opportunities!

Your submission will be evaluated based on its content and compliance with the suggested format (see the pages below). Members of the NATCO Education Committee will review all submissions. The primary author of each submission will be notified of acceptance or non-acceptance.

Please use the following link for submissions: [Click Here](#)

Submissions must be received by **December 1, 2025**, by the end of the business day.
Please use current data for your submission. This information can be updated in your final presentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Karen Libs at KarenL@natco1.org.

Sincerely,

NATCO Education Committee

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Author Guidelines for Webinar Presentation

- General Session Presentation Format:
 - Only previously unpublished original work will be considered.
 - Abstract may not have been previously presented at a National Conference or meeting.
 - Authors must be clearly identified in the author field.
 - The first author should be the person doing the presentation.
 - The full first and last names of all authors and the credentials of each should be noted.
 - Use standard abbreviations. Place special or unusual abbreviations in parentheses after the full word the first time they appear.
 - Organize the submission into four distinct sections:
 - CONTENT SUMMARY: State the purpose of your presentation. Describe the components you plan to discuss in your presentation.
 - INTERESTS: Why it's important to the donation or transplant field. How is it new or innovative?
 - LEARNING OUTCOME: Identify what the learner will know and/or be able to do by attending this presentation.
- The summary should not exceed 350 words.
- Evaluation of your submission will be based on content and compliance with the suggested format.
- See the Webinar Presentation Example on the following page.
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Example: Webinar Presentation

Content Summary: This presentation will educate the beginner and advanced transplant nurse on topics related to pediatric solid organ transplants. Solid organ transplants are the treatment of choice for a variety of end-stage organ diseases. Recipient survival has improved significantly over time due to advances in immunosuppression and infection monitoring.

Rejection and infection are significant causes of morbidity and mortality following transplant and result in the need for lifelong monitoring. An adequately suppressed immune system that prevents rejection must be balanced with one that can fight infection. Immunosuppression medications and their respective side effects will be reviewed as to how they relate to post-transplant complications. Evidence-based primary care management for this population will be reviewed, including but not limited to growth and development, immunizations, and quality of life. Furthermore, common illness management in the primary care and inpatient setting will be reviewed, including but not limited to fever, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, and use of antibiotics.

The main teaching strategy will be a didactic session using PowerPoint. The learning activities will include case studies that apply the transplant-related content to patient scenarios and generate discussion regarding the care of a pediatric solid organ transplant patient.

Interest: The pediatric transplant recipient has a distinct set of challenges to overcome, including growth, cognitive and emotional development, and striving for social acceptance. Transplant coordinators provide education and support in helping families meet the challenges of caring for a child with a chronic illness.

Learning Outcomes: 1. Audience members will be able to list common post-transplant complications. 2. Audience members will be able to describe transplant medications and common side effects.