

Transplant Fellows Schedule

The Transplant Surgery clinical service line at UAB is divided into two services: Liver/HB and Kidney/Pancreas/Access. Fellows will spend 6 months of the year as the primary fellow for each service. The fellow is responsible for management of the inpatient service and consultations, assisting the attending surgeon. However, fellows are not restricted to their primary assignment. On the contrary, fellows are expected to assist on the other service as needs dictate: we have two Transplant Fellows, not one Kidney Fellow and one Liver Fellow. Additionally, on weekends, a single fellow will cover both services. Therefore, it is important to keep informed of the happenings of both services, so that clinical continuity can be maintained.

Below are listings of conferences and scheduled clinics for each service. Daily attending rounds will be scheduled at the discretion of the on-call attending surgeon. Under most circumstances, operative responsibilities will be prioritized over clinic and conference.

In addition to the service schedules listed below, there are a few monthly or quarterly events which will be attended by fellows. Each service has month Morbidity & Mortality conferences, and quarterly QAPI meetings. Fellows should attend all M&M and QAPI meetings regardless of their current service. Fellows will meet with the Division Chief at least once monthly, typically on a Friday morning at 7am over coffee.

Liver/HB Transplant Surgery Service Weekly Schedule

Elective hepatobiliary cases typically occur on Tuesday and Thursday, but may be scheduled elsewhere during the week, depending on availability. The fellow assigned to the liver service is expected to attend all clinics as the OR schedule allows, and should prioritize the Pediatric Clinic over Adult Liver Clinic on Mondays.

Monday

08:00 – 09:00	Team Call with Hepatology
08:00 – 12:00	Liver Clinic
09:30 – 12:00	Pediatric Transplant Clinic (Kidney and Liver)
16:00 – 17:00	LDC

Tuesday

07:15 – 08:00	Dept of Surgery Grand Rounds
08:00 – 09:00	Team Call with Hepatology
16:00 – 17:00	Weekly Meeting with Fellowship Director

Wednesday

08:00 – 09:00 Team Call with Hepatology
08:00 – 15:00 Liver/HB Clinic with Living Donor Evals

Thursday

08:00 – 09:00 Team Call with Hepatology
09:30 – 12:00 Pediatric Transplant Clinic (Liver)

Friday

07:00 – 08:00 Coffee with Division Director (once per month)
07:00 – 09:00 Hepatobiliary Tumor Board
08:00 – 09:00 Team Call with Hepatology
08:00 – 12:00 Liver Clinic

Saturday/Sunday

Kidney/Pancreas Transplant Surgery Service Weekly Schedule

Living donor transplants can be scheduled any day, except Tuesday. Vascular access cases will typically be scheduled on Wednesday or Thursday. The fellow assigned to the kidney/pancreas service is expected to attend at least one day of Kidney Clinic weekly. Additionally, they should plan to attend Dialysis Access Clinic once weekly, as the transplant schedule allows.

Monday

08:00 – 16:00 Kidney/Pancreas Clinic with Donor Evals and Incompatible
09:00 – 10:00 Team Rounds with Nephrology
09:30 – 12:00 Pediatric Transplant Clinic (Kidney and Liver)
10:00 – 15:00 Dialysis Access Clinic

Tuesday

07:15 – 08:00 Dept of Surgery Grand Rounds
08:00 – 16:00 Kidney/Pancreas Clinic with Donor Evals
09:00 – 10:00 Team Rounds with Nephrology
10:00 – 15:00 Dialysis Access Clinic
12:00 – 13:00 Renal Biopsy Conference
16:00 – 17:00 Weekly Meeting with Fellowship Director

Wednesday

09:00 – 10:00	Team Rounds with Nephrology
13:00 – 14:00	Transplant Journal Club
13:00 – 15:00	Uterus Transplant Clinic
14:00 – 16:00	Kidney/Pancreas Listing Conference
16:00 – 18:00	Living Donor Selection/HLA Review

Thursday

08:00 – 16:00	Kidney/Pancreas Clinic with Donor Evals
09:00 – 10:00	Team Rounds with Nephrology

Friday

07:00 – 08:00	Coffee with Division Director (once per month)
08:00 – 16:00	Kidney/Pancreas Clinic
09:00 – 10:00	Team Rounds with Nephrology

Saturday/Sunday

09:00 – 10:00	Team Rounds with Nephrology
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Operative Case Assignments

Daily operative assignments will be made by the senior fellow in discussion with the Fellowship Director and OR Team Leader. Priority will be given to the fellow's primary assignment, i.e. Hepatobiliary cases for the fellow assigned to the liver service, living donor kidney transplant to the fellow assigned to kidney, etc. Operative assignments will also strongly consider the experience of other trainees on service as well as other service needs. Fellows will have more than ample opportunities for operations and should not expect to scrub every operation.

Research Participation

Fellows are encouraged to participate in various research opportunities available within the Division and Department. As their clinical work allows, they are invited to the following research meetings/conferences.

Monday

Tuesday

10:00 – 11:00 Translational Research Group Meeting
15:00 – 16:00 Clinical Trials Meeting

Wednesday

11:00 – 12:00 Health Services Research – Transplant Epidemiology & Analytics in
Medicine (T.E.A.M.) meeting

Thursday

Friday

Saturday/Sunday