



Baptist Heart Transplant and MCS Center
6025 Walnut Grove Rd Ste 111
Memphis, TN 38120
901-226-3712 or 901-226-LVAD (5823)

PROGRAM REFERRAL FORM

Thank you for your referral. We request the following information as soon as possible in order to schedule an appointment:

- Patient demographics/insurance verification
- Referring physician contact information including address, phone, cell phone & fax
- Medical history and physical, including height and weight
- Most recent clinic note, laboratory results and current medication list
- Echocardiogram report and cardiac catheterization report
- CD of latest cath film mailed to address above
- When available---Chest X-Ray, EKG, Functional/viability studies

If you would like to transfer a patient hospital-to-hospital, call our referral line at **901-226-3712** or the hospital operator at **901-226-5000** and ask to speak with the on-call heart transplant coordinator. Our staff will contact the physician on call to discuss your patient.

If you have a patient who currently has a Mechanical Assist Device, or that you believe needs a Mechanical Assist Device, please call 901-226-LVAD (5823) and fax records to 901-226-2010

****Baptist offers appointments in Jonesboro, AR for evaluations and follow-up appointments related to pre and post cardiac transplantation and mechanical assist device placement.****

Indications for Heart Transplantation

- Objective evidence of advanced physical limitation due to documented heart or heart-lung disease
- Cardiopulmonary stress testing showing $VO_2 \text{ max} \leq 14 \text{ ml/kg/min}$ with an $RER > 1.05$
- Intractable or severe angina not amenable to percutaneous or surgical revascularization
- Intractable recurrent ventricular arrhythmia not amenable to advanced therapies

Contraindications for Heart Transplantation*

- Age > 70 years
- Irreversible pulmonary HTN
- Clinically severe symptomatic cerebrovascular disease
- Active systemic infection
- Systemic illness with a life expectancy < 2 years despite heart transplant
- Active major cancers
- Uncontrolled diabetes with end-organ damage
- Irreversible renal (eGFR <30 ml/min) or hepatic dysfunction
- Morbid obesity (BMI >35 kg/m²) or cachexia (BMI <18 or Pre-albumin <15)
- Demonstration of an inability to comply with drug therapy on multiple occasions
- Insufficient social support
- Active drug, tobacco, or alcohol abuse

*If your patient meets an absolute contraindication for transplant they may still be considered for LVAD and/or Advanced Heart Failure Clinic.

Please FAX above information with your identifying cover sheet to 901-226-2010