

## Transplant Evaluation of Adults 70 Years or Older

Our transplant physicians are willing to discuss the benefits and risks of transplantation with *any* and *all* older adults. However, we would like you to know that if you or your loved one is in one of the categories below, the risk of transplantation will likely outweigh any benefit. We would be unlikely to consider you or your loved one an appropriate candidate for kidney transplantation.

If you or your loved one is 70 years of age or older and have any of the following, we are unlikely to offer kidney transplantation:

- Diabetes mellitus as the cause of kidney disease
- Chronic lung disease (requiring medication or oxygen therapy)
- Coronary artery disease (history of heart attack or coronary bypass surgery)
- Cerebrovascular disease (history of stroke)
- Peripheral artery disease (poor circulation)
- Dementia
- Frailty (poor physical condition)
- Poor functional status (inability to care for oneself without assistance)
- Unstable social support