



Region: Eastern Mediterranean

Country: Oman





GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE COUNTRY

http://www.who.int/countries/omn/en/

Total population (million inhabitants)*:

2.8

* Population source (2009): UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund

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Organization: Oman

Transplantation Program





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The Oman Transplantation Program is responsible for the national coordination of donation and transplantation activities. It is under the Ministry of Health and Sultan Qaboos University and is financed by public funds. It is headed by a general National Transplantation Manager. In addition to the national coordination, there are coordinating institutions at provincial/regional level.

The organization is responsible for coordinating the promotion of organ donation, the setting up of protocols, quidelines and recommendations and transplant follow-up registries.

Oman has National Technical and Ethics Advisory Committees dedicated to donation and transplantation issues.

There is a surveillance system based on the reporting of adverse events in the process, reactions and untoward consequences in organ transplant recipients at national level; and there is surveillance system of donation complications in live organ donors.

Oman has systems for the collection and analysis of data on donation and transplantation activities, including living donation processing registries, post-transplant recipients follow-up and living donor follow-up registries for kidneys. Furthermore, there are standards related to donor detection of deceased donors. There are also standards, written instructions or guidance in place related to the donor evaluation, compatibility testing and screening for transmissible diseases of living donors.

Oman holds national training programmes to harmonize practices for staff involved in organ transplantation.

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Oman has specific legislation for organ procurement and transplantation. The health care institutions and hospitals have to be officially authorized for retrieval and transplantation. The certification of death is required by law, regarding the irreversible cessation of brain and brain stem function and the irreversible cessation of cardio-respiratory functions. Explicit consent is the legal requirement for donation from deceased donors, through a National Donor Card.

Unrelated living donation is not allowed in Oman. The pre-requisite to living organ donation is the written consent of the donor.

Actual expenditures of living donation are covered so that the donor is not responsible for them.

There are not supplementary incentives for living donors. Giving or receiving payment for organs and trafficking are prohibited and there are penalties in the event of commerce with donated organs.