

# Comparing transplant centers: Questions to ask

Once you've identified transplant centers that meet your needs, use this worksheet to compare the centers you are considering. Contact the transplant center directly to help you answer these and other questions you may have about center services.

*You may want to consider copying this worksheet to compare multiple centers.*

<b>Transplant Center Name:</b>	
<b>Location:</b>	
<b>Does patient see:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Same transplant doctor throughout care <input type="checkbox"/> Alternating team of transplant doctors <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<b>What is an average length of hospital stay for patients undergoing treatment similar to mine?</b>	
<b>What are the center's visitation policies?</b>	
<b>Are children allowed to visit?</b>	
<b>Are guest overnight stays allowed?</b>	
<b>What infection control measures does this center use?</b>	
<b>Can pediatric patients continue schooling while at the center?</b>	
<b>Are tutoring services available?</b>	
<b>What kind of support is available for patients/caregivers/family, both during the transplant and during post-transplant care?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Child life specialists <input type="checkbox"/> Clergy <input type="checkbox"/> Day care <input type="checkbox"/> Social workers <input type="checkbox"/> Support groups <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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<b>Transplant Center Name:</b>	
<p><b>What kinds of activities are available during my hospital stay?</b></p> <p>For example: exercise programs, etc.</p>	
<p><b>What types of Internet services are available</b></p> <p>For example: access within patient rooms, computer center, Wi-Fi café?</p>	
<p><b>What kind of temporary and long-term housing is available near the center?</b></p>	
<p><b>How does this center support post-transplant care?</b></p>	
<p><b>Does this center have post-transplant clinics that focus on: late-effects, GVHD, quality of life, survivorship?</b></p>	
<p><b>How does this center stay in contact with the patient's primary doctor after discharge?</b></p>	
<p><b>Additional comments</b></p>	