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Lung Transplant Recipient Handbook

UW Medicine Lung Transplant Program

This handbook was written for lung transplant recipients and their caregivers. It contains reliable and detailed information about the lung transplant process at UW Medicine in Seattle, Washington. It explains what to expect after having lung transplant surgery and how to best manage your new lung(s) after transplant.

We understand that receiving so much information can be overwhelming. But, we hope that what you learn from this handbook, along with support from the UW Medicine Lung Transplant Team, will give you confidence to fully embrace life after your lung transplant surgery.

Our goal for you is a successful lung transplant and return to a fulfilling life. To reach this goal, the Lung Transplant Team will be your partner. We will work closely with you to monitor your progress over time.



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	Notes			
Questions?				
Your questions are important. Call the UW Medicine Lung	·			
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Call 206.598.5668. After hours and on weekends				
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