## COTA Eligible Transplant-Related Expenses

For nearly four decades, the Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA) has assisted thousands of patients and raised more than \$160 million to assist with transplant-related expenses. Each year, more than 20,000 contributors generously support COTA fundraising efforts.

As funds are raised and available, the COTA Family Services Team helps our families submit transplant-related expenses in three categories: Medical, Non-Medical and Household.



## Medical Transplant-Related Expenses for Patient after Insurance is applied:

- · Co-pays to Providers (hospitals, physicians, labs, imaging, etc.)
- Prescription Co-pays
- Over the Counter Medications (with transplant team documentation)



## Non-Medical Transplant-Related Expenses for Patient and Up To Two Caregivers:

- Health Insurance Premiums (for patient only)
- · Mileage (calculated at the IRS medical mileage rate)
- Food
- Hospital/Clinic Parking and Tolls
- Vehicle Rental
- Air Travel
- Lodging
- Other (COTA recognizes there may be other non-medical, transplant-related requests made by the transplant team. These requests may be discussed as needed for determination of eligibility. Additional documentation may be required.)
- Up to \$5,000 of any remaining funds can be used for final expenses.



## **Household Expenses:**

- At the time of transplant, COTA funds may be used to help with some household expenses within certain parameters.
- Household assistance may be considered if the patient, parent(s), or guardian must take an unpaid leave of absence from a job due to the transplant situation.
- Unemployment is not considered a leave of absence.
- Household assistance is provided on a temporary basis due to IRS compliance.
   Typical length is 1 to 4 months.
- Determination of eligibility will be discussed during telephone orientation with family.

This list is not exhaustive. We guide each family through the submission process and we understand every patient's need is specific and unique.



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