

Internal Medicine- Living Donor  
Advocates for Geisinger Wyoming Valley

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Psychiatry

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Board Certifications: *Psychiatry*  
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Medical School: *National O.O. Bobomolets Medical University*  
Residency: *Maimonides Medical Center*  
Fellowship: *SUNY University Hospital*

Infectious Disease/Epidemiology

**Michael A. Foltzer, MD**

Director, Infectious Disease



Phone: 570.271.6408  
Board Certification: *Infectious Diseases*  
Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services, travel medicine*  
Medical School: *University of Cincinnati College of Medicine*  
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Board Certification: *Infectious Diseases*  
Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services, travel medicine*  
Medical School: *Rush Medical College of Rush University*  
Residency: *New England Deaconess Hospital*  
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TRANSPLANT SERVICES TEAM

Surgery

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Director, Transplantation Surgery



Phone: 570.271.6214  
Board Certifications: *Surgery*  
Clinical Interests: *Live donor liver and kidney transplantation, complex hepatobiliary surgery, pancreas transplantation*  
Medical School: *Armed Forces Medical College, University of Poona*  
Residency: *Mount Sinai Medical Center*  
Fellowship: *Mount Sinai Medical Center*

**Anil Kotru, MD**



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Board Certifications: *Surgery*  
Clinical Interests: *Liver transplantation, vascular access, liver resections*  
Medical School: *Indira Gandhi Medical College*  
Residency: *St. James University Hospital*  
Fellowship: *Washington University Medical School*

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Board Certification: *Surgery*  
Clinical Interests: *Kidney transplantation, vascular access, liver and pancreas resections, surgery of the bile ducts*  
Medical School: *Temple University School of Medicine*  
Residency: *The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center*  
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Board Certification: *Surgery*  
Clinical Interests: *Live donor transplantation, transplant surgery, vascular access*  
Medical School: *Medical College, University of Rajasthan*  
Residency: *St. Agnes Hospital, Boston Children's Hospital*  
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Nephrology/Pediatric Nephrology

**James E. Hartle, MD**

Medical Director, Nephrology



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Board Certification: *Nephrology*  
Clinical Interests: *Nephrolithiasis, renal transplantation, peritoneal dialysis, pre- and post-transplant surgery care*  
Medical School: *Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University*  
Residency: *Wilford Hall U.S.A.F. Medical Center*  
Fellowship: *Duke University Medical Center*

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Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services*  
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Residency: *Wilford Hall U.S.A.F. Medical Center*  
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Board Certification: *Nephrology*  
Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services*  
Medical School: *Madras Medical College*  
Residency: *University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey*  
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Board Certification: *Nephrology*  
Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services, glomerulonephritis CKD, medical informatics*  
Medical School: *SUNY Upstate Medical University*  
Residency: *University of Massachusetts Medical Center*  
Fellowship: *University of Massachusetts Medical Center*

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Board Certification: *Nephrology*  
Clinical Interests: *Transplantation services, vascular access, chronic kidney disease in the elderly, infections in patients with CKD*  
Medical School: *American University of Beirut Medical School*  
Residency: *Brigham and Women's Hospital*  
Fellowship: *Massachusetts General Hospital*

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# TRANSPLANT SERVICES TEAM

## Nephrology/Pediatric Nephrology

### Glenn Howard Bock, M.D.

Director, Pediatric Subspecialties & Pediatric Nephrology



Phone: 570.271.8055  
Board Certification: Pediatrics / Pediatric Nephrology  
Clinical Interests: Pediatric transplant medicine, pediatric dialysis ultrasonography, professional and patient-family education, computers in medicine  
Medical School: University of Missouri - Columbia School of Medicine  
Residency: SUNY Upstate University Hospital - Syracuse  
Fellowship: University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic

## Gastroenterology/Hepatology

### Robert E. Smith, MD

Medical Director, Liver Transplantation



Phone: 570.271.6856  
Board Certification: Gastroenterology  
Clinical Interests: Liver transplantation, diseases of the liver and biliary tract  
Medical School: Temple University School of Medicine  
Residency: Geisinger Medical Center  
Fellowship: Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center

## Mid-level Providers

### Paul C. Polzella, PA-C



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Board Certification: Physician Assistant  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services  
University: Cornell University Medical College

### Richard E. Bunton, CRNP



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Board Certification: Nurse Practitioner  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services  
University: Bloomsburg University

## Urology

### Brant R. Fulmer, MD

Living Donor Advocate, GMC



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Board Certifications: Urology  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services, robotic surgery, minimally invasive surgery  
Medical School: Temple University School of Medicine  
Residency: University of Virginia Medical Center  
Fellowship: Loyola University Health System

### Jennifer Simmons, MD



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Board Certifications: Urology  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services, minimally invasive treatment of stone disease, BPH, infertility, voiding dysfunction  
Medical School: Temple University School of Medicine  
Residency: Loyola University of Chicago Stritch School of Medicine

## Cardiology

### Thomas D. Scott, DO



Phone: 570.271.6177  
Board Certifications: Cardiovascular Disease, Interventional cardiology, Internal medicine  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services  
Medical School: Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Residency: Geisinger Medical Center  
Fellowship: Geisinger Medical Center

### Chatla V.R. Reddy, M.D.



Phone: 570.820.6020  
Board Certifications: Cardiovascular Disease / Interventional Cardiology  
Medical School: Guntur Medical College  
Residency: Misericordia Hospital Medical Center  
Fellowship: Misericordia Hospital Medical Center

## Radiology

### John A. Baxter, MD



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Board Certifications: Radiology, Vascular and Interventional Radiology  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services, cancer, angiography, interventional  
Medical School: Habnemann University School of Medicine  
Residency: Geisinger Medical Center

### Christoph Pohl, MD



Phone: 570.271.6301  
Board Certification: Radiology  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services, cancer, body neuro CT, neuro CT and angiography, nuclear medicine, neuro MRI, interventional  
Medical School: Medical College of Virginia  
Residency: Morristown Memorial Hospital, Chippenham Medical Center  
Fellowship: New England Medical Center

### Luis L. Nadal, MD



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Board Certification: Radiology  
Clinical Interests: Transplantation services  
Medical School: Escuela De Medicina, Universidad Iberoamericana  
Residency: Jacobi Medical Center  
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### Philip Edwards, MD



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Clinical Interests: Transplantation services  
Medical School: University of Cambridge School of Medicine  
Residency: Portsmouth General Hospital, Addenbrooke's Hospital  
Fellowship: Addenbrooke's Hospital

## Anesthesiology

### Yuri Kuras, MD



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Board Certification: Anesthesiology  
Clinical Interests: Transplant anesthesia  
Medical School: Tyumen State Medical Academy  
Residency: Columbia Presbyterian Center

## Anesthesiology

### Charles Steen, MD



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Board Certification: Anesthesiology  
Clinical Interests: Transplant anesthesia, cardiac anesthesia  
Medical School: Queens University Faculty of Medicine  
Residency: University of Calgary Faculty of Medicine

### William Loder, MD



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Board Certifications: Anesthesiology, Critical Care Medicine  
Clinical Interests: Transplant anesthesia, critical care medicine, neuro-trauma  
Medical School: University of Nebraska College of Medicine  
Residency: Geisinger Medical Center

## Pathology

### Jeffrey W. Prichard, DO



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Clinical Interests: Transplantation services, quantitative immunohistochemistry, image analysis, surgical pathology  
Medical School: Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Residency: Allegheny University Hospitals, Allegheny General  
Fellowship: Allegheny University Hospitals, Allegheny General

### Fan Lin, M.D., PhD



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Board Certifications: Cytopathology  
Clinical Interests: Anatomic, renal and cytopathology  
Medical School: Fujian Medical University  
Residency: University of Chicago Hospitals  
Fellowship: University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

### Fouad N. Boctor, M.D.



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Board Certifications: Anatomic and Clinical Pathology  
Medical School: Cairo University Medical School  
Residency: University of Connecticut, School of Medicine / New York University Medical Center  
Fellowship: University of Connecticut, School of Medicine