



MEDIA RELEASE

Joint Guidelines Advance Pediatric Liver Transplant Care

AMBLER, PA — The North American Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN) is pleased to announce the joint guidelines with The American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD) and the American Society of Transplantation (AST)

The new Practice Guidelines reflect the latest scientific evidence and expert consensus to support equitable, high-quality care across the full liver transplant continuum and are published in *HEPATOLOGY* and *Liver Transplantation*, AASLD's premier scientific journals.

AASLD AST NASPGHAN Practice Guideline on Pediatric Liver Transplantation: Candidate Evaluation

Liver transplantation remains a critical, lifesaving treatment for children with advanced liver disease and other serious liver conditions. This updated Practice Guideline provides a comprehensive, evidence-based framework for evaluating pediatric transplant candidates, helping clinicians navigate an increasingly complex field while optimizing outcomes for children and families.

[View the Practice Guideline in *HEPATOLOGY*.](#)

AASLD AST NASPGHAN Practice Guideline on Pediatric Liver Transplantation: Post-Transplant Management

This Practice Guideline provides evidence-based recommendations for the comprehensive care of pediatric liver transplant recipients, from the time of transplantation through the transition to adult care. Developed through a systematic review of the available evidence and expert consensus, the guideline offers practical guidance to support long-term health, optimize outcomes, and address the evolving needs of children and adolescents living with a liver transplant.

[View the Practice Guideline in *Liver Transplantation*.](#)

“The care of children before and after liver transplantation depends on close partnership among patients, families, and multidisciplinary healthcare teams. These jointly developed guidelines bring together the collective expertise of leaders across AASLD, NASPGHAN, and AST to provide contemporary, evidence-informed recommendations that support

clinical decision-making throughout the transplant journey. More than a decade after the publication of the previous joint guidance documents, they reflect the remarkable progress achieved in pediatric transplantation and our shared commitment to advancing the care and outcomes of children living with liver disease,” said Vicky Ng, MD, FRCPC, President of NASPGHAN.

AASLD’s Practice Guidelines provide evidence-based recommendations and outline appropriate methods of treatment and care for clinicians.

Learn more about Practice Guidelines [here](#) and AASLD journals [here](#).

About NASPGHAN

The North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (NASPGHAN) is a leading professional organization dedicated to advancing the care of infants, children, and adolescents with digestive, liver, pancreatic, and nutritional disorders. NASPGHAN’s mission is to be a world leader in research, education, clinical practice, and advocacy for pediatric gastroenterology, hepatology, and nutrition in health and disease.

With more than 3,000 members across North America, NASPGHAN promotes excellence in clinical care, scientific discovery, education, and advocacy to improve the health and well-being of children and families. NASPGHAN supports healthcare professionals, patients, and families through clinical guidelines, educational programs, public policy efforts, and resources that advance pediatric digestive health.

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About HEPATOLOGY

The premier publication in the field of liver disease, [HEPATOLOGY](#) publishes original, peer-reviewed articles concerning all aspects of liver structure, function and disease. Each month, the distinguished Editorial Board monitors and selects only the best articles on subjects such as immunology, chronic hepatitis, viral hepatitis, cirrhosis, genetic and metabolic liver diseases and their complications, liver cancer, and drug metabolism. Follow the journal on X at [@HEP_Journal](#).

About Liver Transplantation

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