**Sample**

**Required eGFR Candidate Notification**

The candidate notification your program sends might look like the sample below.

This sample can be customized to meet the needs of the candidates registered at your program.

Dear Kidney Transplant Candidate:

You are receiving this letter because you are registered on the waiting list for a kidney transplant at **fill in transplant program name**. This letter contains important information about possible changes to patient waiting time for kidney candidates registered as **Black or African American.** All transplant programs are required to notify all their kidney candidates of this policy.

An OPTN policy change requires all kidney transplant programs to look at their waiting lists to see if any registered Black or African American candidates could receive waiting time because of the previous use of calculation of kidney function called “eGFR calculation” that included race in a way that affects Black patient’s ability to get listed. The amount of waiting time a kidney candidate has is important, as it is a significant factor in determining who gets kidney transplant offers.

**What documentation do I need to get an eGFR waiting time modification?**

We need a lab report with creatinine and an eGFR value of over 20 (with a calculation that uses race) but is 20 or less with a calculation that is for all non-Black patients.

**How can I partner with my program to find lab documents?**

It is the responsibility of **fill in transplant program name** to get old lab data that could allow us to get you a wait time modification. You can help us by contacting the doctor that referred you to our transplant center, such as your regular kidney doctor, and ask if they have your lab data that we may not have in our system.

**Who can I talk to about questions I have?**

Please contact us IF YOU THINK:

* Your race has been recorded incorrectly on the waiting list
* If you have labs or documentation for consideration
* If you have other questions

Sincerely,

**fill in transplant program name**

**How can I learn more about eGFR and this policy change?**

* [Frequently asked questions and answers are available on the OPTN website here](https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/policies-bylaws/a-closer-look/waiting-time-modifications-for-candidates-affected-by-race-inclusive-egfr-calculations/for-patients-faqs-about-egfr-waiting-time-modifications/).