Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift:

“Live Kidney Donation: Informed Consent Related Aspects”

1. De informed consent procedure voor de levende donor nefrectomie verschilt per land, per centrum, en per individuele medische professional (dit proefschrift)

2. De perioperatieve uitkomsten van de gebruikte minimaal invasieve technieken voor de levende donor nefrectomie zijn vergelijkbaar, en hebben alle een laag complicatie percentage (dit proefschrift)

3. Ondanks dat sommige complicaties grote gevolgen kunnen hebben, worden deze niet altijd vermeld tijdens het preoperatieve informed consent proces voor de levende donor nefrectomie (dit proefschrift)

4. Levende nierdonoren onthouden slechts een klein deel van de informatie die hen gedurende het informed consent traject verteld wordt (dit proefschrift)

5. Een gestandaardiseerd format informed consent procedure voor de levende donor nefrectomie is nodig, om in ieder centrum een donor optimaal te informeren (dit proefschrift)


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2. The perioperative outcomes of the employed minimally invasive techniques for the live donor nephrectomy are comparable, and all have a low complication rate (this thesis)

3. Despite the severe consequences of some complications, these are not always disclosed during the preoperative informed consent process for the live donor nephrectomy (this thesis)

4. Living kidney donors only remember a small part of the information provided to them during the informed consent process (this thesis)

5. A standardized format informed consent procedure for the live donor nephrectomy is necessary, to optimally inform donors in every center (this thesis)


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