Dear Colleagues:

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and the minute-by-minute evolving situation in our communities and institutions, NASPGHAN and SPLIT-TTS have united to create a secure and deidentified online pediatric registry (ages 0-21).

We encourage all clinicians worldwide to report cases of COVID-19 affecting pediatric patients (0-21 years) with chronic liver disease or recipients of liver and/or intestinal transplant. Our intention is to collect and disseminate the experience of our community to better understand the clinical presentation, natural history and treatment options for this novel infection in this specific population. We will provide a weekly report of the collected data through the NASPGHAN GI listserv, the SPLIT COVID listserv and the NASPGHAN website.

We urge you to begin completing this Redcap survey at any point in your patient’s COVID course. Entered data will be saved and a unique code will be generated for each incomplete form to permit editing for final submission to the registry. This allows for timely dissemination of data back to our community via a weekly report summarizing critical elements. To edit partially completed forms you simply email yourself a survey queue (click ‘get link to my survey queue’). After the final registry submission this link will permit you to update your patient’s eventual outcome.

The survey has been approved after expedited review by the Human Research Ethics at Queens University (Canada) and Columbia University (United States). Institutional review board requirements vary, so we encourage you to consult with yours regarding the need for formal review and approval.

Thank you to everyone in our community for supporting each other at this time and we applaud everyone’s efforts to best serve our hepatology and transplant patients.

To access the survey click or go the following link: https://is.gd/naspghansplitliversurvey

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