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<P>Once considered an experimental therapy, lung transplantation is now regarded as a viable treatment option for selected patients with end-stage lung diseases. As more and more of these cases arise, it becomes imperative for those involved in the care of lung transplant patients to have a vast understanding of the multidiscipline process of lung transplantation. This text provides a comprehensive overview of this process covering everything from the history of the lung transplant program to the long term effects of the procedure.