Membership & Professional Standards Committee (MPSC)

Summer 2020

OPTN ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPLANTATION NETWORK

Membership Requirements Revision Project Problem to be addressed

- Contract task: "...[with] involvement of the MPSC, the Contractor shall develop and implement a process for periodic reassessment of membership status once approved..."
- Issues with multiple sections of membership requirements identified by MPSC, staff or members of community
- While individual bylaw changes have been made, no comprehensive review of all membership requirements in over 10 years

Membership Requirements Revision Considerations for Revisions

- Support process for periodic reassessment of compliance with membership requirements
- Consistency with NOTA, Final Rule and current practice and qualifications
- Simplify application process and review by MPSC
- Consider ways to stratify requirements based on type of application
 - Initial request for approval
 - Reassessment of membership status
 - Key personnel application for individual with no previous experience as key personnel
 - Key personnel application for individual with previous experience as key personnel

Membership Requirements Revision Progress – Expected Public Comment January 2021

Bylaw Appendix	Summary of Proposed Revisions
Appendix A: <i>Membership Application</i> and Review	Streamlined to focus on required steps of process and rights of applicants
Appendix B: <i>Membership Requirements</i> for Organ Procurement Organizations (OPOs)	 Requirements for membership under Final Rule Requirements necessary for functioning of OPTN Remove requirements outside scope of OPTN Clarify provisions that cause confusion or contain inconsistencies Revise or remove provisions that do not serve intended purpose or are redundant
Appendix C: <i>Membership Requirements</i> for Histocompatibility Laboratories	
Appendix D: <i>Membership Requirements</i> for Transplant Hospitals and Transplant Programs	

Membership Requirements Revision Progress – Concept Paper January 2021

- General format for transplant program key personnel
 - Primary transplant surgeon training and experience requirements
 - Primary transplant physician training and experience requirements
- Gather feedback on suggested changes to the format that has been used to develop minimum requirements
- Phase 2 of project will work with organ specific committees to apply new format to organ specific requirements

Discussion

- Think about your experience with membership applications and membership status changes
- What have been your pain points with the requirements and process in the past?

Performance Monitoring Enhancement

- Follow-up to OPTN Ad Hoc Systems Performance Committee (SPC) recommendations
- Problem to be addressed:
 - Rely on single metric that does not reflect overall performance of program or OPO
- Project goals:
 - Holistic approach to evaluation of transplant program and OPO performance through balanced scorecard
 - Identify real-time patient safety issues
 - Provide member support and collaboration for identified opportunities for improvement
 - Evaluate system of review to maximize support for increasing transplants, equitable access to transplant, and innovation

Discussion

• What do you think defines a high performing transplant program?

Questions

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