

OPTN/UNOS Patient Affairs Committee

**Chicago, Illinois
May 4, 2009**

SUMMARY

Action Items for Board Consideration

- None

Other Significant Items

- Committee Members participating in the joint workgroup with the Membership and Professional Standards Committee discussed recent activities related to patient notification of periods of program waitlist inactivation and inactivation or relinquishment of program membership status.
- The Chair of the Minority Affairs Committee presented findings from a recent survey of dialysis patients to assess participants' perception of organ allocation policy and their ability to participate in the public comment process.
- The Committee continued to examine inactive waitlist data. Members discussed the potential impact of differing practices across programs, such as listing kidney patients prior to evaluation completion and removing very ill patients from the list versus changing their status to inactive.
- The liaison of the Kidney Transplantation Committee provided an update on the development of the national kidney paired donation system and the current status of the kidney allocation revision project.