

**INTERIM REPORT of the
OPTN/UNOS POLICY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
Meeting on April 9, 2012
Chicago, Illinois**

1. **Review of Committee Projects** The POC reviewed 41 new committee projects and 74 ongoing projects. The POC will provide recommendations to the Executive Committee for consideration at their June 2012 meeting.
2. **Policy Rewrite Project Update** The POC was provided with an update on the policy rewrite project. The current plan is to finalize the remaining drafts and send all the policies to the POC in mid-May. The POC will meet by conference call in June to review and make any necessary changes prior to sending the information to the Executive Committee in June 2012. The special public comment period for the project is planned for June – July (60 days) with the project being submitted to the Board of Directors during its November 2012 meeting.
3. **Policy 6** The POC was provided with an overview of the proposal to modify Policy 6. The POC had previously reviewed this proposal in 2011 and had some concerns about the proposal. The POC supported the most recent proposal and approved it by a vote of 13 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.
4. **Policy Ambiguities** The POC had initial discussions about how to deal with ambiguities and questions that come up regarding policy language. The POC agreed to a path forward and will provide this information to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors during the June 2012 in order to get their feedback.
5. **Program-Specific Reports Consensus Conference** The POC was provided with an overview of the consensus conference held in February 2012. The POC will provide assistance to the SRTR and HRSA as they move forward with plans to address data collection and issues related to the PSRs.
6. **Multi-Organ Allocation Policies** The POC continues to work on this issue and is currently awaiting feedback from various committees.
7. **Rewrite of Data Release Policies** The POC is the sponsoring committee for this proposal that was distributed for public comment on March 16, 2012. The POC reviewed the regional slides to help prepare the presenters for the regional meetings. This proposal will be submitted to the Board of Directors in November 2012.
8. **Variance Proposal** The POC reviewed comments received on this proposal that was distributed for public comment in September 2011. There was overwhelming support for the proposal and the POC voted to submit it to the Board of Directors in June 2012. Vote: 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

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Attendance

Name	Position	April 9, 2012
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Richard N. Formica, MD	At Large	X
Tim Shain	At Large	
Hueng Bae Kim, MD	At Large	X
Meelie A. DebRoy, MD	At Large	
David Mulligan, MD	At Large	Phone
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Amy Waterman, PhD	At Large	X
Steven Webber, MBChB	At Large	
Nancy Metzler	At Large	
Lee Ann Baxter-Lowe, PhD, ABHI	At Large	X
Jean A. Davis	At Large	X
Laurie Williams, RN, BSN, CPTC	At Large	X
Peter Reese, MD	At Large	Phone
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Robert Walsh	HRSA	X
Monica Lin, PhD	HRSA	X
Bernie Kozlovsky, MD	HRSA	X
Bertram L. Kasiske, MD, FACP	SRTR	X
Robert Hunter	Committee Liaison	X
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