

**OPTN/UNOS Pediatrics Transplantation Committee**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**August 19, 2015**  
**Conference Call**

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*Discussions of the full committee on August 19, 2015 are summarized below and will be reflected in the committee's next report to the OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors. Meeting summaries and reports to the Board are available at <http://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/>.*

### **Committee Projects**

#### **1. Pediatric Training and Experience Requirements in the Bylaws**

The Committee discussed the outreach efforts and regional meeting preparations for the Committee's proposal posted for fall public comment on August 14, 2015. Several members on the call asked questions about strategy and approach to anticipated questions from transplant colleagues. Additionally, a few members provided feedback on their discussions with members of the OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors about the Board's directive from June 2015.

### **Other Significant Items**

#### **1. Committee Orientation**

UNOS staff coordinated a brief orientation for new Committee members on the composition of the committee and representation across many areas of transplantation, expectations of members, committee SharePoint website, UNOS support staff, and the committee project development process. Additionally, UNOS staff provided an update on the Committee's Pediatric Bylaws proposal that is out for fall 2015 public comment.

#### **2. Future Committee Projects**

Committee members offered several new project ideas during the conference call:

- Review 12 month KAS data to ensure access for highly sensitized adolescents
- Update on KAS and pediatrics
- Update on Liver Redistricting
- Guidance/position paper on children with genetic syndromes and neurologic deficits in need of transplantation
- Availability of split livers for pediatric recipients
- Liver Committee update on big picture projects that impact PELD score
- Review PELD exception types, frequency of PELD exceptions used, and identify who may be disadvantaged
- Impact of multi-organ policies on children who need solitary organs

These will be discussed in greater detail during the October 2015 meeting in Chicago.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

- September 16, 2015 (conference call)
- October 22, 2015 (Chicago, IL)
- November 18, 2015 (conference call)

- December 16, 2015 (conference call)
- January 20, 2016 (conference call)
- February 17, 2016 (conference call)
- March 16, 2016 (conference call)