

OPTN/UNOS Transplant Administrators Committee (TAC)
Meeting Summary
October 16, 2014
Chicago, Illinois

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Discussions of the full committee on October 16, 2014 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>.

Review of Public Comment Proposals

1. Proposal to Implement Pre-Transplant Performance Review by the Membership and Professional Standards Committee (MPSC)

The Committee received a presentation and requested clarification on several aspects of the proposal. A member raised concern that the composite score may not be representative of pre-transplant management. Another member asked if a center does not meet criteria based on the composite score and is reviewed by MPSC, should the center expect an enforcement action after the review. Clarification was also requested on how organ acceptance data will be considered in this metric since organ acceptance decisions are often made based on narrative information that is not collected in a data field. There was also concern that smaller centers in certain geographic areas might be at risk by being compared to larger centers. It was asked how the MPSC will use this metric to assist centers in making improvements in pre-transplant management performance. The Committee did not vote on this proposal but will submit its comments through the public comment process.

2. Definition of a Transplant Hospital (MPSC)

The Committee reviewed and supported the proposal with no questions or concerns. The Committee did not vote on this proposal but will submit its comments through the public comment process.

3. Policy Rewrite Parking Lot "Quick Fixes" (POC)

The Committee reviewed and supported the proposal with no questions or concerns. The Committee did not vote on this proposal but will submit its comments through the public comment process.

Other Significant Items

4. SRTR Updates

The Committee received an update from SRTR on the fall 2014 Program-Specific Report (PSR) timeline and changes, transition to Bayesian Methodology, and the new kidney risk-adjustment models that will be released in early 2015.

5. Disease Transmission Advisory Committee (DTAC) FMEA Project

The Committee member that represents the TCC on this project provided a brief overview and update on the progress of the DTAC FMEA Project.

6. Operations and Safety Committee (OSC) Infectious Disease Verification Work Group

The Committee member that represents the TCC on this project provided a brief overview and update on the progress of this Work Group.

7. Policy Oversight Committee (POC) Update

The Committee Vice-Chair reviewed the charge of the POC and informed the Committee that the POC will be reviewing new OPTN projects during its October in person meeting.

8. Instructional Innovations (II) Update

UNOS Instructional Innovations staff provided an update on the 2015 instructional plan and requested the TCC Educational Work Group to review the plan and provide feedback. It also presented a virtual tour of instructional resources and their locations on the OPTN website, Transplant Pro, and Transplant Living.

Upcoming Meetings

- Standing conference call at 3:00pm ET on the fourth Wednesday of every month through June 2015
- July 21-22, 2015 (Chicago, Illinois)