Reducing the Reporting Requirements for the Deceased Donor Registration (DDR) Form

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Problem Statement
Policy 18.1 (Data Submission Requirements) requires all OPOs to complete the deceased donor registration (DDR) form for all deceased donors and authorized but not recovered potential deceased donors. Since the DDR was never intended to be used for “non-donors,” OPOs have inconsistently reported data on those potential donors that do not proceed to donation. The OPO Committee proposed that we remove the requirement to complete the DDR for non-donors from policy.

Summary of Changes
We removed the policy requirement to complete the DDR for “authorized but not recovered potential deceased donors.”

What Members Need to Do
You should be aware of the label change on the donor organ disposition form. We changed the “Referral Only:” question on the donor organ disposition to “Were any organs recovered:” If yes, you must complete disposition codes for all organs. Only disposition code 5 (recovered for transplant and not transplanted) and disposition code 6 (transplanted) for any organ will generate the DDR, which you must complete.

Affected Policy/Bylaw Language:
New language is underlined and language that will be deleted is struck through.

Policy 1.2 Definitions

Deceased donor
An individual from whom at least one organ is recovered for the purpose of transplantation after declaration of death.

18.1 Data Submission Requirements

OPOs must provide donor information required for organ placement to the OPTN Contractor in an electronic data format as defined and required by the computer system. Deceased donor information required for organ placement must be submitted prior to organ allocation.

Members must report accurate data to the OPTN using standardized forms. Table 18-1 shows the member responsible for submitting each data form and when the Member must submit the following materials to the OPTN Contractor. Members are responsible for providing documentation upon request to verify the accuracy of all data that is submitted to the OPTN through the use of standardized forms.
This policy does not apply to VCA-only donors or VCA information for donors and recipients; however, for VCA-only procurements, Host OPOs must submit to the OPTN Contractor the Deceased donor registration (DDR) within 30 days after the procurement date.

**Table 18-1: Data Submission Requirements**

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<th>The following member:</th>
<th>Must submit the following materials to the OPTN Contractor:</th>
<th>Within:</th>
<th>For the following groups:</th>
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<td>Host OPO</td>
<td>Deceased donor feedback <em>Donor organ disposition</em> (feedback)</td>
<td>5 business days after the procurement date</td>
<td>Individuals, except living donors, from whom at least one organ is recovered</td>
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<td>Host OPO</td>
<td>Deceased donor registration (DDR)</td>
<td>30 days after the deceased donor feedback <em>donor organ disposition</em> (feedback) form is submitted and disposition is reported for all organs</td>
<td>For all deceased donors and authorized but not recovered potential deceased donors</td>
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