

OPTN/UNOS Kidney Transplantation Committee
Meeting Summary
March 9, 2015
Conference Call

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Discussions of the full committee on March 9, 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. KPD Informed Consent Policy

The Committee reviewed public comments received on this proposal and voted unanimously to recommend approval to the Board of Directors without changes. The final proposal contains the following elements:

- Requires transplant programs registering paired candidates and donors to inform KPD participants of the risks and benefits of participating in the KPD program and the logistics of the KPD program's matching process, including prioritization information and consequences of shipping kidneys.
- Requires informed consent for non-directed donors (NDDs) and bridge donors participating in any KPD program.

These informed consent requirements are intended to be supplemental and additional to the requirements required in Policy 14.3: Informed Consent Requirements.

2. All Other KPD Guidelines to Policy

The Committee continues to transition sections of the KPD operational guidelines into OPTN policy. The Committee reviewed public comments on this proposal and voted unanimously to recommend the proposal for approval by the Board of Directors. The final proposal did contain some changes in response to public comment. The proposal contains new requirements for the donor pre-select tool and certain responsibilities for the KPD contact.

Upcoming Meetings

- April 13, 2015
- May 18, 2015
- June 15, 2015