

**OPTN/UNOS Membership and Professional Standards Committee (MPSC)**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**June 17, 2014**  
**Conference Call**

**Carl L. Berg, M.D., Chair**  
**Jonathan M. Chen, M.D., Vice Chair**

*Work of the full committee on June 17, 2014, is 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. Transplant Hospital Definition Project:**

The Committee received an update regarding the work group's efforts to improve the definition of a transplant hospital member in the bylaws. The Committee considered a final draft of the proposed bylaw language. The Committee approved the proposal for public comment distribution in the fall 2014 review period. If the proposal is supported by public feedback, the Board of Directors could consider it for approval during its June 2015 meeting.

**2. Composite Pre-Transplant Metric (CPM):**

The CPM Work Group met on June 9, 2014 to consider if planned SRTR revisions to the acceptance models would significantly change the CPM. The SRTR plans to eliminate the organ acceptance model and to include all donors in the offer acceptance model. The work group reviewed liver CPM data calculated using the new models, and decided that the any effect on CPM was insignificant and recommended that the CPM move forward.

At its June 2014 conference call, the Committee reviewed the recommendation of the work group and approved proposed language for distribution during public comment in the fall of 2014.

**3. Quality Assurance & Process Improvement Initiatives:**

During member reviews, the Committee has noted that members who are having difficulty with compliance or performance often do not have well developed quality assurance performance improvement (QAPI) programs. The Committee concluded that there appears to be a correlation between underperformance in the areas of compliance and outcomes and the lack of a robust QAPI program. Currently, the OPTN bylaws and policies do not contain a requirement for a QAPI program. As a result, the Committee does not have a basis for taking action when there is a finding that a member's QAPI program is inadequate.

At the March 2014 meeting, the Committee approved proposed bylaw language for a quality assurance performance improvement requirement to be sent out for public comment in the fall of 2014. At its June 2014 conference call, the Committee considered

monitoring options and decided that compliance with a QAPI requirement would be reviewed only if a member is under review for performance or compliance issues.

**Other Committee Actions:**

**Summary of Peer Review Actions:**

**4. Member Related Actions and Personnel Changes:**

The Committee is charged with determining that member clinical transplant programs, organ procurement organizations, histocompatibility laboratories, and non-institutional members meet and remain in compliance with membership criteria. During each meeting, it considers actions regarding the status of current members and new applicants.

The Committee reviewed two member-specific compliance issues, and both member programs will continue under review at future Committee meetings.

**Next Scheduled Meeting(s)**

- July 8-10, 2014 (in person)
- September 4, 2014 (call)
- December 9-11, 2014 (in person)