

**OPTN/UNOS Vascularized Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee
Conference Call Summary
April 14, 2015**

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Discussions of the full committee on April 14, 2015 are summarized below and will be reflected in the committee's next report to the OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors (Board). Meeting summaries and reports to the Board are available at <http://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov>.

Committee Projects

1. Guidance Document for VCAs from Living Donors

The Chair provided a synopsis from a Working Group of members from the VCA, Living Donor, and Ethics Committees. Based on public comments received from during the fall 2014 public comment period, this Working Group collaborated on a Guidance Document for VCAs from Living Donors. The intent of this document is to:

- address some general considerations regarding VCA types that may be suitable to consider from living donors,
- provide guidance regarding criteria for living VCA recovery programs,
- provide recommendations on the informed consent and medical and psychosocial evaluation of living VCA donors, and
- lead to future policy development.

A lengthy discussion was held on the project to-date. The Chair emphasized that additional work would be done in the coming weeks. A final draft will be presented at the VCA Committee meeting in Chicago on April 24, 2015, with the goal of consideration by the Board in June 2015.

Upcoming Meetings

- April 24, 2015 (in-person meeting, Chicago, IL)
- May 19, 2015 (conference call)
- June 16, 2015 (conference call)
- October 1, 2015 (in-person meeting, Chicago, IL)