

**OPTN/UNOS Vascularized Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee
Conference Call Summary
February 17, 2015**

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Discussions of the full committee on February 17, 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. VCA Data Collection and Submission (public comment review)

The VCA Data Collection and Submission proposal was out for public comment from September 29, 2014 to December 5, 2014. The proposal included amendments to OPTN Policies 18.1 and 18.2, as well as new data collection forms for VCA transplant recipients. The Committee discussed the common themes that were identified in the public comment submissions. These centered on requiring the collection of:

- VCA candidate HLA type
- VCA donor HLA type

UNOS staff will generate a draft of the response for the Committee to review. Additional discussion will be held during the March 2015 conference call. The Committee will also vote on the proposal and consider recommending to the Board at the June 2015 meeting.

Implemented Committee Projects

1. VCA Implementation (public comment review)

VCA Implementation was approved by the OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors (Board) in June 2014, and public comment on the proposal was sought from September 29, 2014 to December 5, 2014. The Committee discussed possible amendments policy/bylaw language as a result. Additional discussion will be held during the March 2015 conference call. The Committee will also vote on the proposal and consider recommending to the Board at the June 2015 meeting.

Upcoming Meetings

- March 17, 2015 (conference call)
- April 24, 2015 (in-person meeting, Chicago, IL)
- May 19, 2015 (conference call)
- June 16, 2015 (conference call)