

**OPTN/UNOS Vascularized Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee
Meeting Summary
August 25, 2014**

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Discussions of the full committee on August 25, 2014 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. Membership Subcommittee update – VCA Program Membership Criteria

The Membership Subcommittee previously met on August 5, 2014 to revisit the initial VCA Transplant Program Membership Requirements approved by the Board in June 2014. Priorities for the Subcommittee included:

- VCA Primary Surgeons
- VCA Primary Physicians
- VCA Program Infrastructure

The intent of the draft requirements were to create an umbrella to be inclusive while trying to consider clinical applications of VCA transplants that have not yet been done, but may develop in the future. Substantial amounts time on future Subcommittee conference calls will be spent refining the membership requirements.

2. VCA Data Collection Update and Timeline

The Committee received an update on VCA data collection from UNOS staff. A lengthy discussion was then held by the Committee on the topic. UNOS staff provided a timeline of events surrounding VCA data collection and asked for feedback on the data elements as soon as possible. The Committee also reviewed draft language to modify OPTN Policies 18.1 and 18.2. These modifications would be needed in order to establish requirements for VCA data submission. A vote was made to accept the proposed changes to OPTN Policies 18.1 and 18.2 as they were presented and solicit public comment feedback on VCA Data Collection and Submission.

The committee approved motion the (9 - support, 0 - oppose, 0 - abstentions).

Upcoming Meetings

- September 16, 2014 (Data Subcommittee Conference Call)
- September 17, 2014 (Membership Subcommittee Conference Call)
- September 24, 2014 (Conference Call)