

OPTN/UNOS Living Donor Committee
Meeting Summary
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Chicago, IL

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Discussions of the full committee on October 24, 2016 are summarized below. All committee meeting summaries are available at <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov>.

Committee Projects

1. Modification to Informed Consent Requirements for Potential Living Donors

The Committee reviewed public comment responses and four themes identified in the public comment. The Committee reviewed and approved draft responses to the four themes that had been prepared by Committee leadership. The Committee supported minor changes to the draft policy language in response to public comment. The Committee supported a delayed implementation for the proposed requirement to disclose center specific follow-up rates. The Committee supported sending the proposal for OPTN/UNOS Board consideration.

2. Removing Disincentives for Candidates to Consider Living Donation

The Committee is continuing work on new resources for transplant candidates considering living kidney transplantation but who have not identified a potential living donor and for use by transplant centers to help improve their living donor transplant education and outreach processes.

Committee Projects Pending Implementation

3. Proposal to Establish and Clarify Policy Requirements for Domino Donor and Non-Domino Therapeutic Donors

This policy proposal was approved in December 2015 but implementation was delayed pending programming. Programming has been completed and the proposal is scheduled for implementation in November, 2016.

Other Significant Items

4. Status of Living Donor Follow-up

Leadership from the Membership and Professional Standards Committee (MPSC) joined the meeting for a joint discussion on the status of living donor follow-up and specifically the number of living donor recovery programs that are not meeting current minimum thresholds for living donor follow-up. The Committee supported giving the MPSC latitude on how to address these living donor recovery centers. The Committee opined that the MPSC should concentrate its efforts on living donor recovery centers not achieving the minimum required follow-up requirements at all required reporting periods.

5. SRTR Living Donor Registry

Leadership from the Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipient (SRTR) provided an overview of a recently approved and funded project to develop a living organ donor registry. Under the project, living donor recovery programs will register all potential living

donors evaluated on site. The SRTR will obtain follow-up information and provide reports to transplant programs and the general public and establish a clearinghouse of donor information using surveys and data linkages.

Upcoming Meeting

- March, 2017