

**OPTN/UNOS Membership and Professional Standards Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2017
Conference Call**

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Introduction

The Membership and Professional Standards Committee met via Citrix GotoTraining and conference call on May 4, 2017, to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Update: Pancreas Committee Communications
2. Modifications to OPTN Bylaws Regarding the Approval of Transplant Fellowship Programs
3. Member Related Actions

The following is a summary of the Committee's discussions.

1. Update: Pancreas Committee Communications

UNOS staff updated the Committee on two items involving the Pancreas Transplantation Committee (Pancreas Committee).

The MPSC's March meeting discussion about a pancreas islet key personnel application prompted a request that a memo be sent to the Pancreas Committee regarding whether pancreas islet key personnel Bylaws requirements should be updated. Staff alerted the MPSC that it sent this memo. The Pancreas Committee reviewed and discussed this memo during its April meeting, and recently responded to the MPSC. The Pancreas Committee agreed that these Bylaws should be reviewed and updated. The Pancreas Committee also replied that past efforts on this topic will be their starting point for any future efforts and that the Pancreas Committee will keep the MPSC updated as any progress is made. Staff directed MPSC members to the teleconference meeting materials, which included the MPSC's original memo and the Pancreas Committee's response.

Staff also alerted the MPSC that the Pancreas Committee is in the midst of forming a work group to address pancreas program functional inactivity Bylaws. This work group will include representation from the MPSC. Once this group is formed, a call will be scheduled to begin work on this topic that both the Pancreas Committee and the MPSC would like to see progress made.

2. Modifications to OPTN Bylaws Regarding the Approval of Transplant Fellowship Programs

Staff reviewed the draft public comment proposal entitled, "Addressing Approved Transplant Fellowship Training Programs Bylaws," for the purpose of obtaining a vote on the final Bylaws language to propose during public comment. MPSC discussion leaders added that they thought the proposal is straight forward and important for the purpose of eliminating Bylaws language that establish a routine transplant fellowship program review and approval process that the MPSC does not perform. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Committee unanimously supported (22 support, 0 oppose, 0 abstentions) a motion to distribute for public comment the proposed Bylaws changes provided in the meeting materials for the MPSC's May 4th teleconference.

3. Member Related Actions

During the meeting, the Committee considered the following member specific issues.

Membership Application Actions- Consent Agenda

The Committee is charged with determining whether 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 the applications and status changes listed below and will recommend that the Board of Directors take the following actions when it meets in June:

New Members

- Fully approve 1 new business
- Fully approve 1 new individual

Existing Members

- Fully approve 1 new living donor liver transplant program component
- Fully approve reactivation of 2 transplant programs
- Fully approve 1 transplant program and 1 living donor kidney component that were conditionally approved
- Approve a change from full to conditional approval status for 1 living donor liver component
- Fully approve 2 businesses for new terms
- Fully approve 4 individuals for new terms
- Fully approve 1 public organization for new term

The Committee will also make recommendations to the Board of Directors about two member specific issues it discussed.

Upcoming Meetings

- July 11-13, 2017
- October 17-19, 2017