# **Analysis Report**

Data Request on Circle Based Allocation

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## **Executive Summary**

SRTR has used the liver simulated allocation model (LSAM) to assess the simulated impact of two allocation frameworks based on concentric circles around the donor hospital: "Acuity Circles" (AC) and "Broader 2-Circle Distribution" (B2C).

#### What's New in This Report

- Relisted candidates are now included in "by MELD/PELD" calculations for counts and rates of waitlist mortality and transplants.
- A finer resolution is used for person-time (denominator) in the rate calculations; previous reports' calculations were rounded to whole days, whereas now fractional days are used. As a result, some of the rates calculated by DSA for small subgroups (e.g., pediatrics) were much larger than they were previously. Before these rates were used in the variance by DSA calculations, they were capped at the 99th percentile of all subgroups across all DSAs (e.g., 14.6 transplants per patient-year for patient age) to prevent overinflated variances.

#### **Main Findings**

The B2C scenarios yielded results similar to those under the policy approved by the UNOS Board in December 2017. Specifically, the variance in median allocation MELD/PELD at transplant (MMAT) decreased to a similar extent, and the transport metrics (transport time, transport distance, and percentage of organs flown) increased to a similar extent.

Compared with the current allocation policy, the AC framework tended to result in changes with a larger magnitude than the B2C framework; i.e., of all scenarios considered, the AC scenarios showed the largest decreases in variance of MMAT and the largest increases in the transport metrics.

**MELD scores at transplant:** Both proposed frameworks reduce variance in DSA level MMAT (Figure 1). The reduction in variability is due to increasing MMAT for DSAs with lower MMAT under the current framework (Figure 3); this corresponds to changes from "warm" to "cool" colors on the maps. The increase in MMAT also occurred nationally, driven largely by the "No Exception" group of candidates (Figure 2).

**Transplant rates and counts:** Transplant rates and counts were not affected by the new frameworks for the overall population or by exception status. Rates increased for high MELD/PELD ( $\geq$  32) candidates for both frameworks (Figure 6).

**Waitlist mortality rates and counts:** Waitlist mortality rates decreased for the overall population under the AC framework driven largely by candidates without exceptions (Figure 11), while the B2C framework showed a more modest change.

Waitlist mortality counts decreased for high MELD/PELD ( $\geq$  32) candidates in both frameworks (Figure 14).

**Post-transplant mortality rates and counts:** Post-transplant mortality was comparable between the different frameworks (Figures 18-21).

**Transport metrics:** Both of the new frameworks resulted in more travel; greater transport distances and times accomplished through a higher percentage of organs being transported by air



(Figures 22-29). A similar trend between the different frameworks is consistently seen across metrics and exception and MELD groupings.

**Subgroup analysis:** At a regional level (Appendix A), for most metrics, the different frameworks showed no impact (i.e., flat line of dots), or showed the same trend as the national population. Transplant rates by exception status were the exception to this, with some regions seeing slight increases or decreases in the rate, whereas the national population had essentially uniform transplant rates between frameworks.

Overall, trends in the demographic characteristics' (age, sex, and race/ethnicity) subgroups were similar between frameworks to the total population (Appendix B). The exception to this was the pediatric subgroup, which saw reductions in MMAT (Figure 242) and increases in transplant rate (Figure 245) that differed directionally from the overall population. The trends in the transportation metrics were common across age ranges (adult and pediatric).

The trends for the socio-economic status characteristics (education, insurance type, cumulative community risk score, and urbanicity) subgroups were similar between frameworks to the total population (Appendix C).

## **Study Population**

Data for these policy simulations were collected between July 2013 and June 2016, post-Share35 implementation. The simulation uses donor and candidate populations created by the LSAM donor and candidate generators. This software draws on patient data for transplant candidates listed at the beginning of the data cohort period, and candidates added to the waiting list and organs donated during the data cohort period. The generators use these real patient data to create independent donor and candidate populations for each of the multiple LSAM iterations involved in simulating each allocation scenario.

## **Analytical Approach**

#### **Policy scenarios**

The policy scenarios simulated as part of this request are shown below:

**Scenario 1 - Current System:** Uses current distribution and allocation order ("Share 35" with MELD sodium and HCC cap and delay). No proximity points are included, and there are no donor exclusions.

**Scenario 2 - Board Approved:** Candidates with a MELD score of at least 15 and listed at centers within either (a) the DSA of the donor hospital or (b) a 150-nautical-mile radius circle from the donor hospital receive three additional proximity points added to their lab MELD for adults and their allocation MELD/PELD for candidates aged younger than 18 years, with a sharing threshold of MELD/PELD  $\geq$  32.

Proximity points are defined as follows: At the time of the match run, liver candidates with MELD or PELD scores of 15 or higher, and registered at a transplant hospital within a 150-mile radius of the donor hospital, or within the same DSA as the donor hospital, receive three MELD or PELD points added to their score as described above.



For adults, proximity points are only added to calculated (lab) MELD score. For candidates younger than 18, proximity points are added to the allocation MELD/PELD score.

**Note:** The summation of calculated MELD scores plus proximity points will not be capped at 40; a candidate with a calculated MELD score of 38 who receives three proximity points will be given an adjusted MELD score of 41 to preserve ranking of disease severity.

**Scenario 3 - Acuity Circles (250 and 500 nautical miles):** Uses three concentric circles around the donor hospital with radii measured in nautical miles: small = 150nm, medium = 250nm, and large = 500nm.

Status 1A and 1B are allocated first at centers within the large circle, and then allocation proceeds in expanding circles (small, medium, large) for each decreasing MELD/PELD subgroup: at least 37, [33,37), [29,33), [15,29).

Centers outside of the large circle are allocated next for: status 1A, status 1B, and then MELD/PELD of at least 15.

Finally, candidates with MELD/PELD less than 15 in expanding circles, and outside of the large circle.

**Scenario 4 - Acuity Circles (300 and 600 nautical miles):** Scenario 4 uses the same rules as scenario 3 with small, medium, and large circle sizes of 150, 300, and 600 nautical miles, respectively.

**Scenario 5 - Broader 2-Circle Distribution (MELD Threshold = 35):** Uses three concentric circles around the donor hospital with radii measured in nautical miles: small = 150nm, medium = 250nm, and large = 500nm.

Status 1A and 1B are allocated first at centers within the large circle, and followed by those within the medium circle with a MELD/PELD of at least the threshold of 35.

Allocation then proceeds in expanding circles (small, medium, large) for those with MELD/PELD of at least 15.

Centers outside of the large circle are allocated next for: status 1A, status 1B, and then MELD/PELD of at least 15.

Finally, candidates with MELD/PELD less than 15 in expanding circles, and outside of the large circle.

**Scenario 6 - Broader 2-Circle Distribution (MELD Threshold = 32):** Scenario 6 uses the same rules as scenario 5 with a MELD threshold of 32.

#### Metrics

SRTR assessed the following outcome metrics for the simulations:

- 1. Variance in median MELD/PELD at transplant by DSA
- 2. Median MELD/PELD at transplant
- 3. Transplant rates
- 4. Transplant counts
- 5. Variance in transplant rates by DSA



- 6. Wait list mortality rates
- 7. Wait list mortality counts
- 8. Variance in wait list mortality rates by DSA
- 9. Post-transplant mortality rates
- 10. Post-transplant mortality counts
- 11. Median transport time
- 12. Median transport distance
- 13. Percentage of organs flown for transport

Metrics 1 to 13 above will be assessed by subgroup populations including:

- Exception status: total, no exceptions, HCC exceptions, other exceptions
- MELD/PELD subgroups: <15, 15-24, 25-28, 29-31, 32-35, 35+ (includes Status 1A and 1B)

Color-coded maps displaying the following metrics by DSA are also included:

- 2. Median MELD/PELD at transplant
- 3. Transplant rates
- 4. Wait list mortality rates
- 5. Percentage of organs flown for transport (by both donor and transplant DSA)

The above metrics excluding those that measure variance by DSA (1, 5, 8) were assessed by OPTN region

- OPTN region: 01-11
  - By exception status
  - By MELD/PELD subgroup

Metrics 1 to 10 above were assessed by the additional subgroup populations including:

- Age: pediatric (aged younger than 18 years at listing) and adult ( $\geq$  18 at listing)
- Sex: female and male
- Race/ethnicity: African American, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, white
- Education: high school or less, more than high school
- Insurance status: public and private
- Urbanicity: metropolitan, non-metropolitan, micropolitan, small town, rural
- Cumulative Community Risk Score (CCRS) subgroups: [0,10], (10,20], (20,30], (30,40]

Additionally, spreadsheets with the following metrics by DSA are included:

- 2. Median MELD/PELD at transplant
- 3. Transplant rates
- 4. Transplant counts
- 5. Wait list mortality rates
- 6. Wait list mortality counts
- 7. Percentage of organs flown for transport (by both donor and transplant DSA)



## Results

Results for the simulated scenarios are reported primarily in the form of plots, with each plot displaying the values for a given metric across the six scenarios simulated. In viewing these results, it is important to compare the new scenarios with the current allocation policy scenario to identify changes in outcome metrics due to the proposed policy changes. Each scenario was simulated 10 times, and the plot displays the range of results across the 10 simulations as a vertical line extending from the minimum value to the maximum value found for that metric and scenario. A point along that line marks the mean value of the metric across the 10 iterations.

# **Overview Data Tables**

#### Table 1 Overview of Main Metrics

	Variance in Median	Median		Median	
	Allocation	Allocation	Median	Transport	Percent of
Scenario	MELD/PELD at Transplant	MELD/PELD at Transplant	Transport Time (hours)	Distance (miles)	Organs Flown
Current	9.97 (8.74,11.9)	29 (29,29)	1.7 (1.7,1.7)	88.5 (86.9,90)	50.7 (50.2,51.1)
Board Approved	7.41 (6.36,8.47)	29.1 (29,30)	1.7 (1.7,1.7)	100.4 (98.7,101.9)	54.4 (53.8,54.9)
Acuity 250+500	4.33 (3.23,6.27)	31 (31,31)	1.9 (1.9,1.9)	183.5 (180.4,187)	71.4 (70.6,71.9)
Acuity 300+600	4.07 (3.13,6.18)	31 (31,31)	2 (2,2)	211.3 (207.5,217)	74 (73.6,74.4)
Broader 2- Circle MELD 35	6.74 (5.85,8.83)	29 (29,29)	1.8 (1.7,1.8)	107.7 (106.1,110.2)	58.4 (58,59.1)
Broader 2- Circle MELD 32	6.54 (5.37,8)	29.5 (29,30)	1.8 (1.8,1.8)	117.1 (115.8,118.6)	60.8 (60.3,61.5)

All metrics reported as *mean (min, max)* across the 10 simulation iterations.

Scenario Current	Transplant Rate 0.443 (0.435,0.451)	Transplant Count 6651 (6575,6727)	Waitlist Mortality Rate 0.097 (0.095,0.1)	Waitlist Mortality Count 1455 (1425,1504)	Post- Transplant Mortality Rate 0.077 (0.075,0.08)	Post- Transplant Mortality Count 686 (666,721)
Board	0.438	6643	0.091	1386	0.077	684
Approved	(0.43,0.448)	(6561,6728)	(0.09,0.093)	(1358,1419)	(0.075,0.079)	(662,712)
Acuity	0.428	6594	0.087	1341	0.078	687
250+500	(0.422,0.436)	(6491,6672)	(0.085,0.088)	(1310,1364)	(0.076,0.08)	(664,718)
Acuity	0.426	6583	0.085	1318	0.079	688
300+600	(0.419,0.434)	(6492,6662)	(0.083,0.086)	(1278,1346)	(0.078,0.08)	(676,719)
Broader 2-Circle MELD 35	0.438 (0.432,0.448)	6620 (6543,6706)	0.095 (0.093,0.096)	1433 (1404,1463)	0.077 (0.073,0.08)	676 (647,717)
Broader 2-Circle MELD 32	0.437 (0.43,0.446)	6616 (6556,6692)	0.094 (0.092,0.095)	1423 (1391,1442)	0.077 (0.076,0.08)	682 (661,721)

## Table 2 Overview of Additional Metrics

All metrics reported as *mean (min, max)* across the 10 simulation iterations.



# **Results by Exception Status and MELD/PELD Subgroup**

#### Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

#### Variance in Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status and DSA

#### Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by Exception Status and DSA

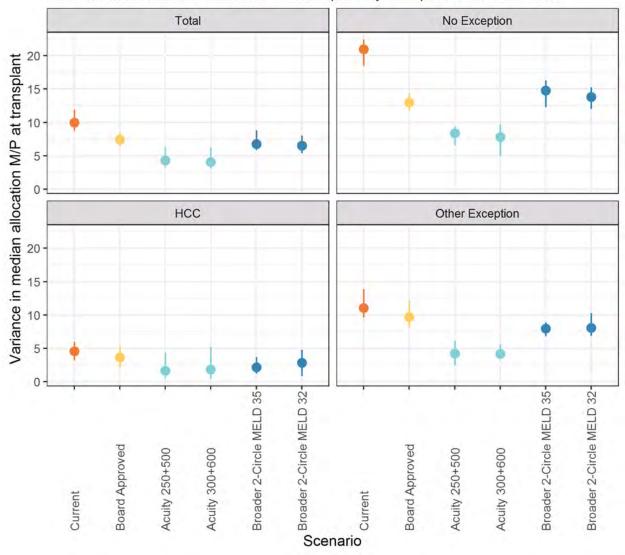


Figure 1 Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by Exception Status and DSA



## Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

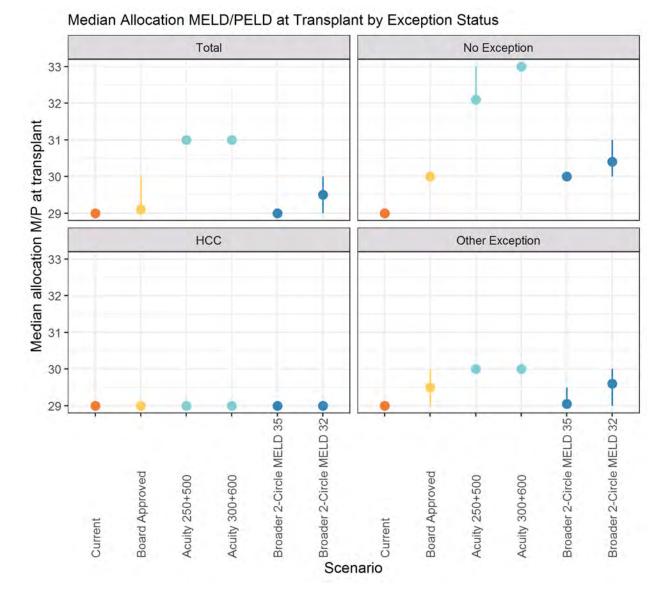


Figure 2 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status

### Maps of Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by DSA

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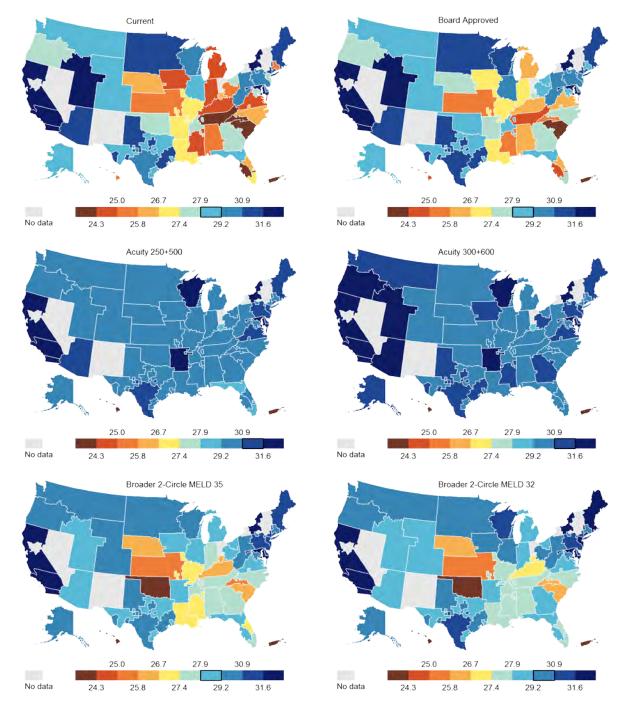


Figure 3 Maps of Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by DSA



# Transplant

## **Transplant Rates by Exception Status**

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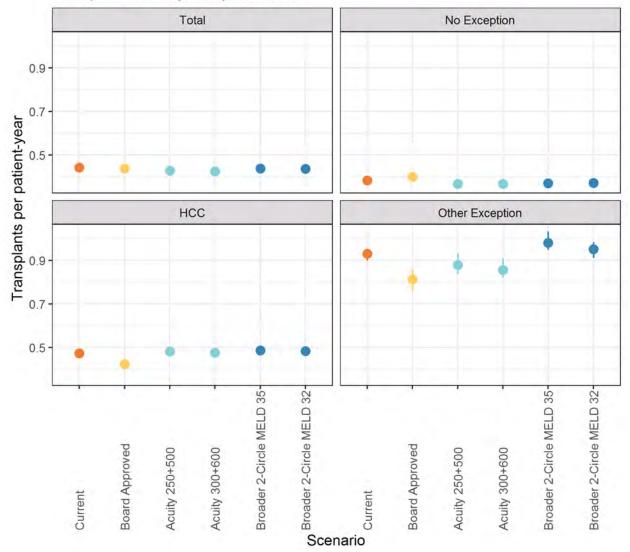


Figure 4 Transplant Rates by Exception Status



## **Transplant Counts by Exception Status**

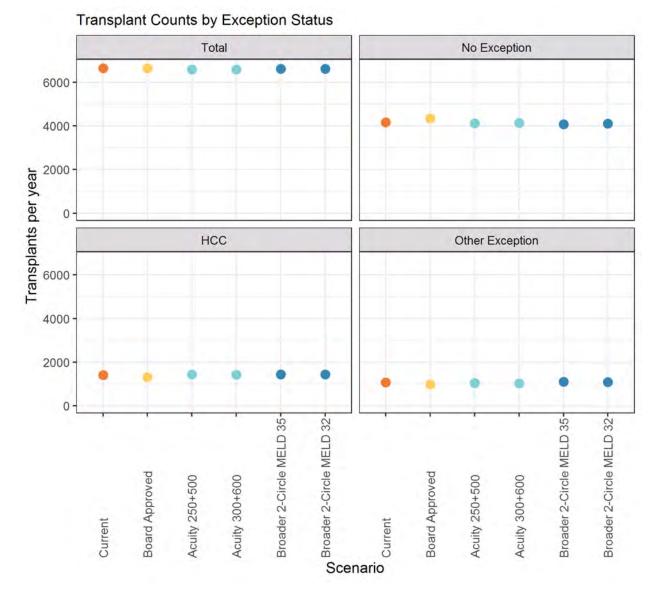


Figure 5 Transplant Counts by Exception Status



#### **Transplant Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD**

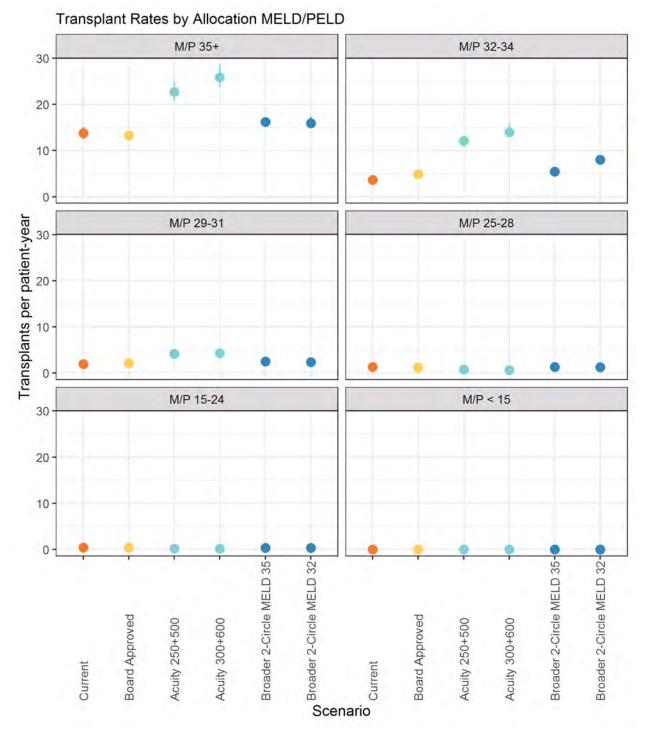


Figure 6 Transplant Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD



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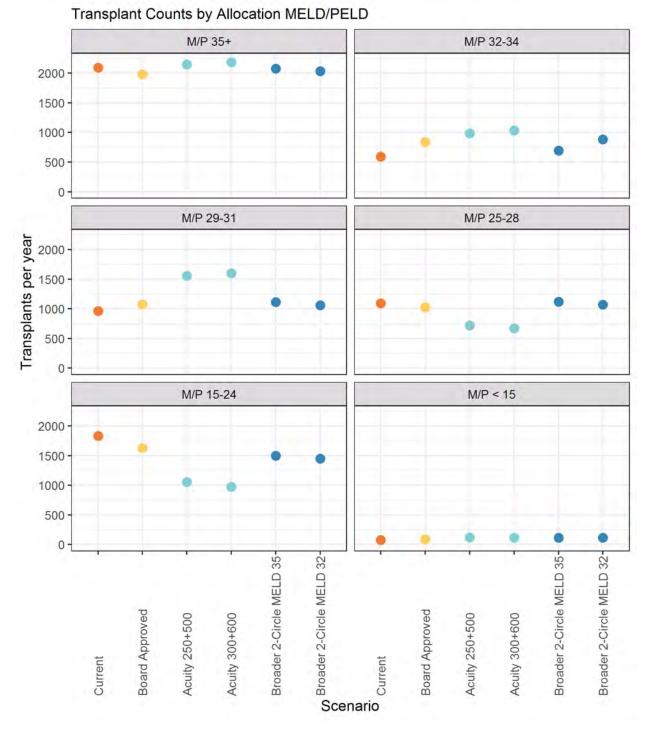
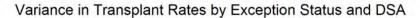


Figure 7 Transplant Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD

#### Variance in Transplant Rates by Exception Status and DSA



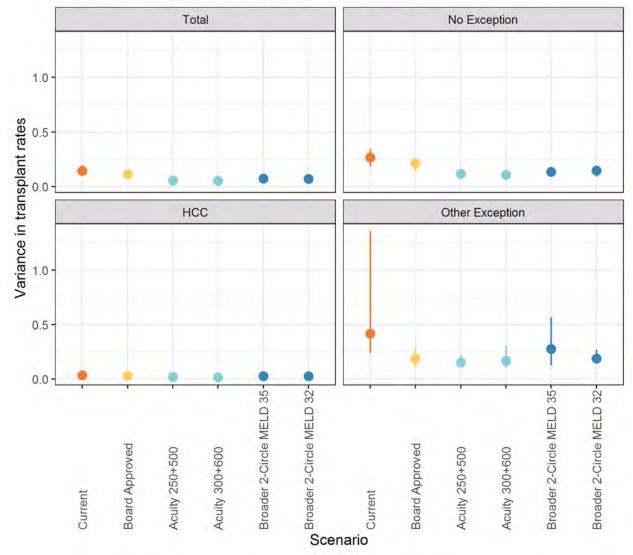


Figure 8 Variance in Transplant Rates by Exception Status and DSA





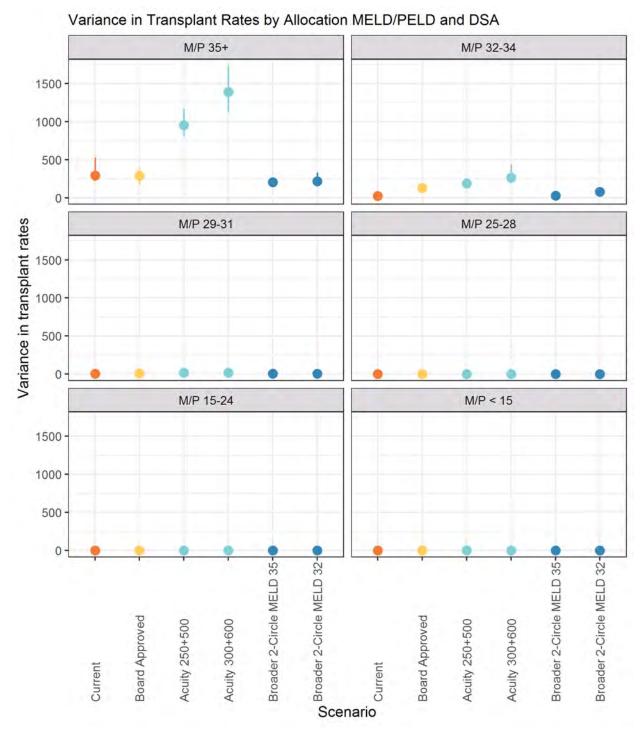


Figure 9 Variance in Transplant Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD and DSA

#### Maps of Transplant Rate by DSA



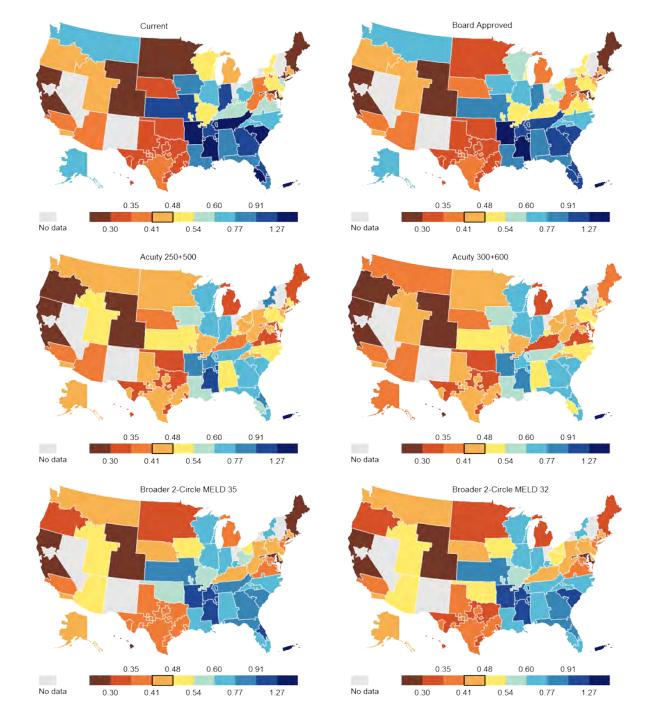


Figure 10 Maps of Transplant Rate by DSA



## Waitlist Mortality

#### Waitlist Mortality Rates by Exception Status

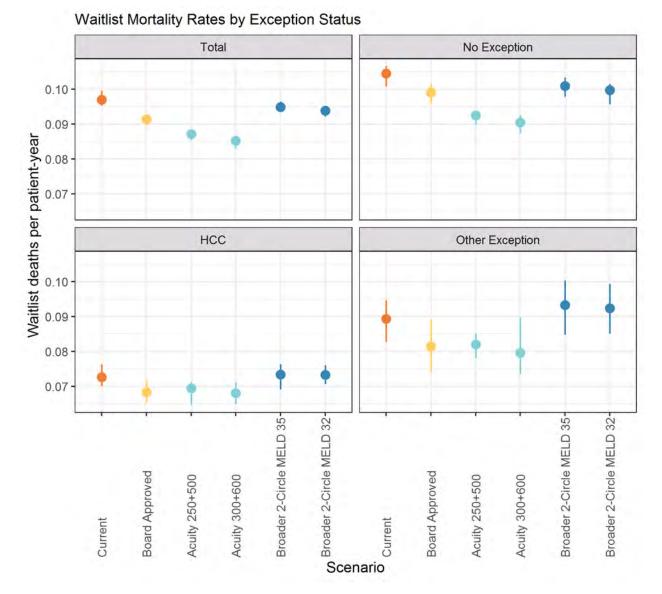


Figure 11 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Exception Status



#### Waitlist Mortality Counts by Exception Status

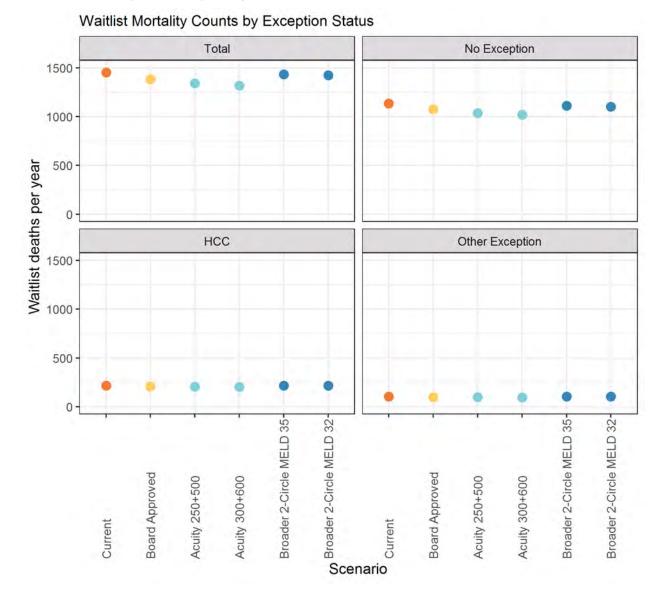


Figure 12 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Exception Status



#### Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD

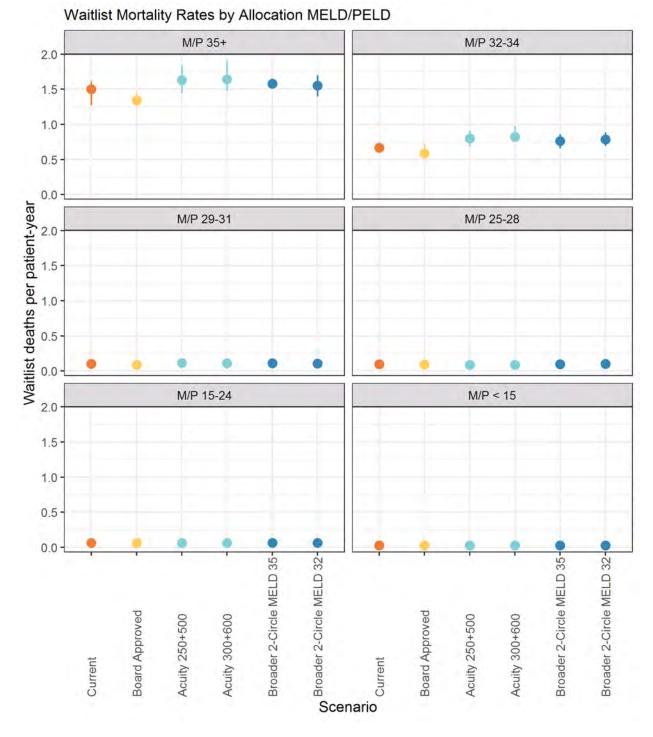


Figure 13 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD



#### Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD

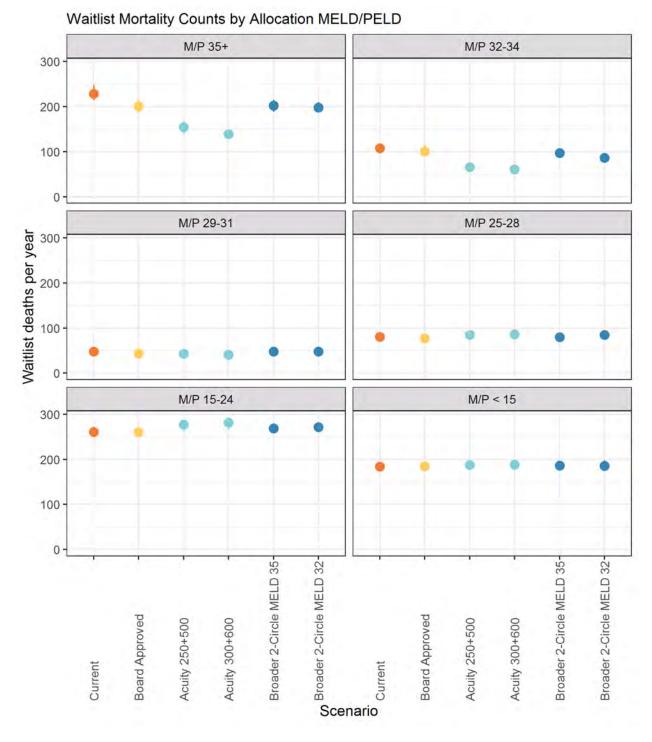


Figure 14 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD





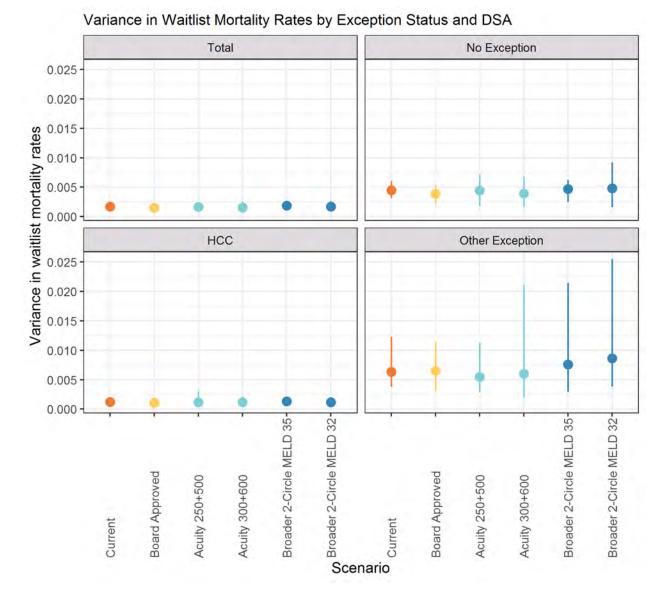
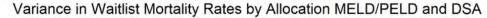


Figure 15 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by Exception Status and DSA



#### Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD and DSA



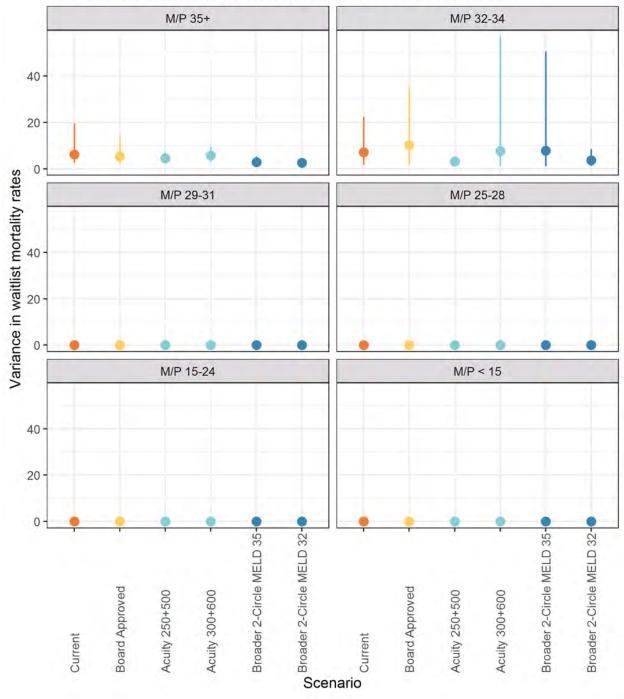


Figure 16 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD and DSA



#### Maps of Waitlist Mortality Rate by DSA

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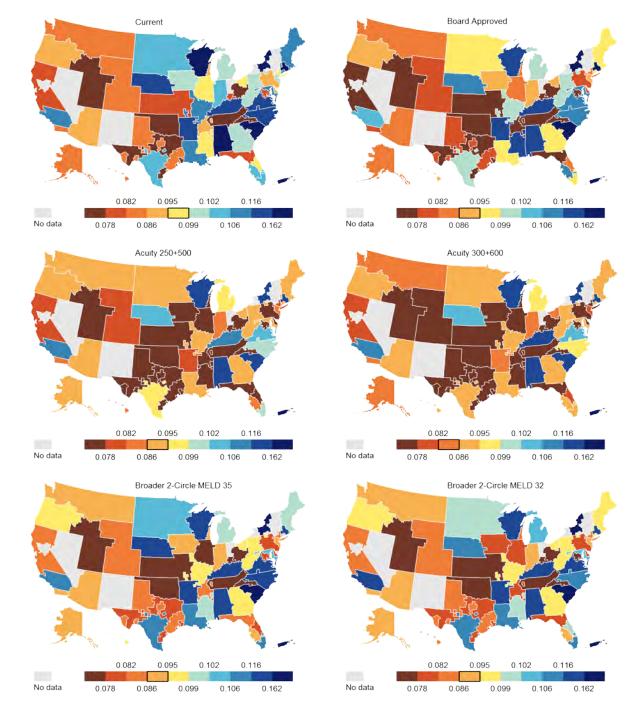


Figure 17 Maps of Waitlist Mortality Rate by DSA



## Posttransplant Mortality

#### **Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status**

Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status Total No Exception 0.09 Posttransplant deaths per patient-year 0.08 0.07 0.06 HCC Other Exception 0.09 0.08 0.07 0.06 Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Board Approved Board Approved Acuity 250+500 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Acuity 300+600 Current Current Scenario

Figure 18 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status



#### **Posttransplant Mortality Counts by Exception Status**

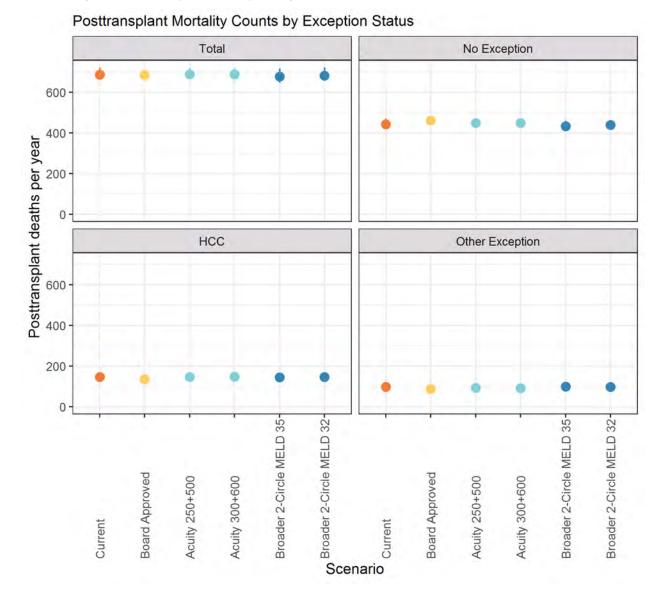


Figure 19 Posttransplant Mortality Counts by Exception Status



#### Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD

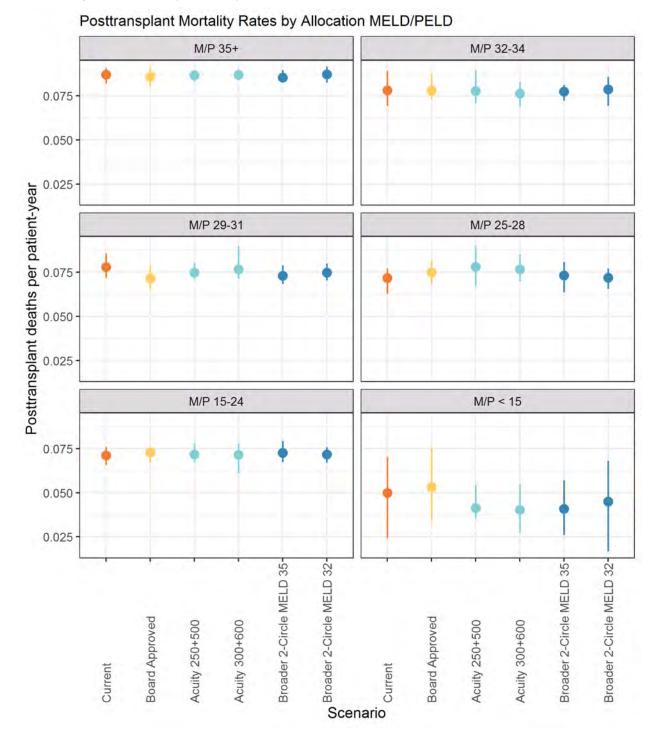


Figure 20 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD



#### Posttransplant Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD

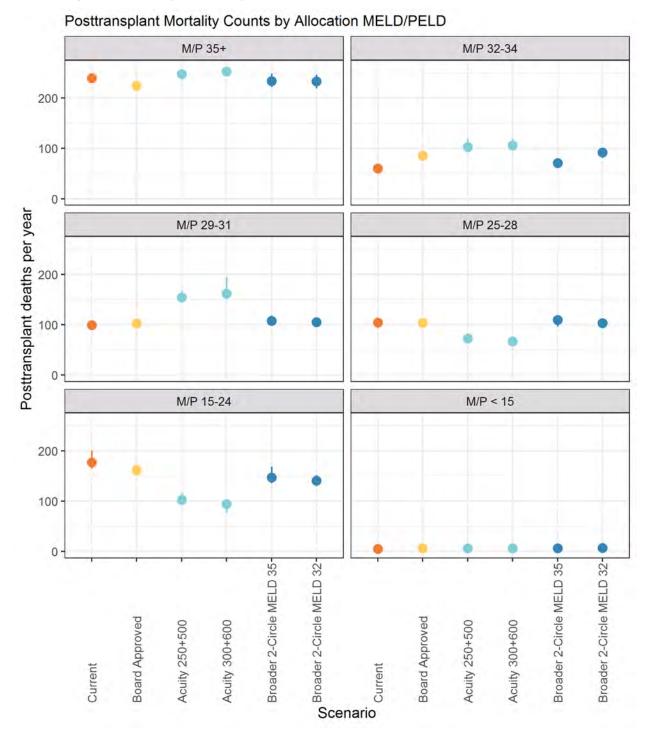


Figure 21 Posttransplant Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD



# Transport

#### **Median Transport Time by Exception Status**

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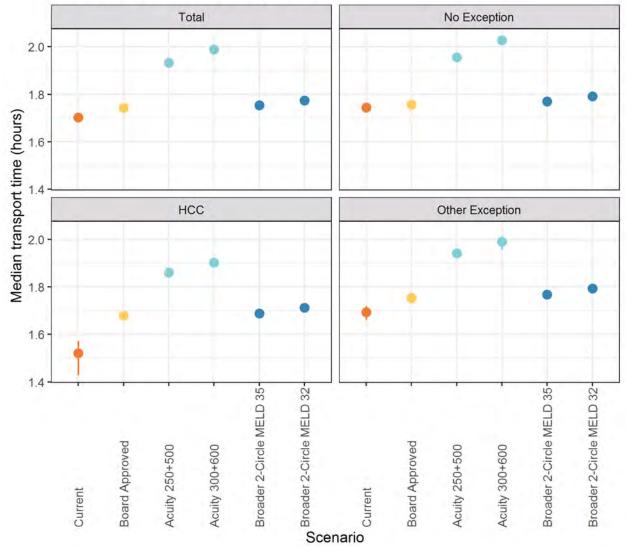
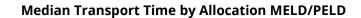


Figure 22 Median Transport Time by Exception Status



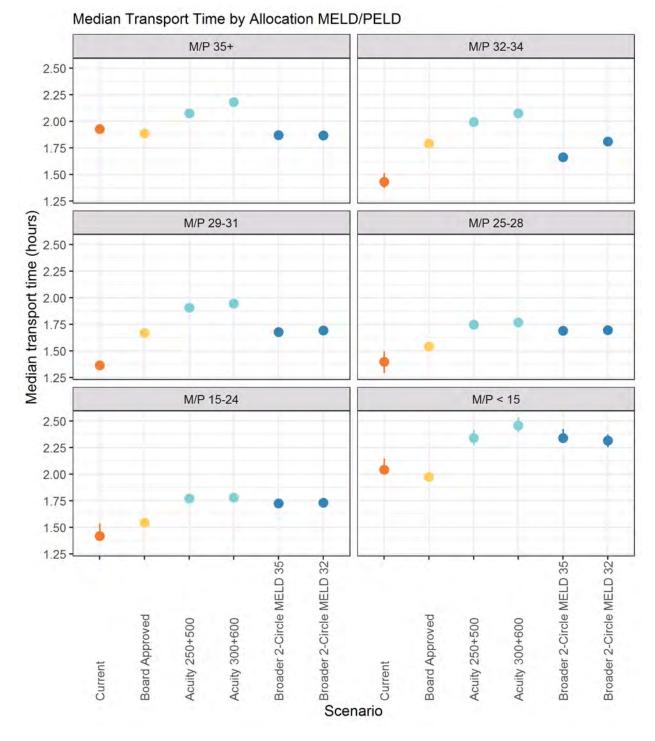


Figure 23 Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD



## Median Transport Distance by Exception Status

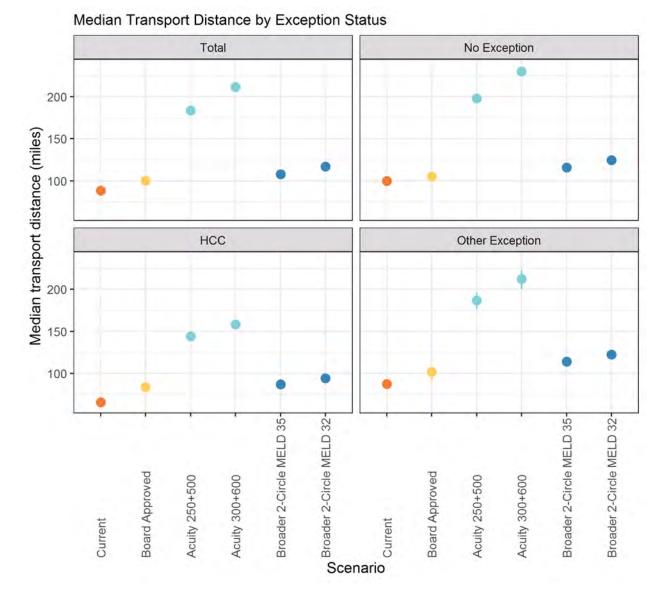
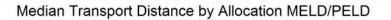


Figure 24 Median Transport Distance by Exception Status

#### Median Transport Distance by Allocation MELD/PELD



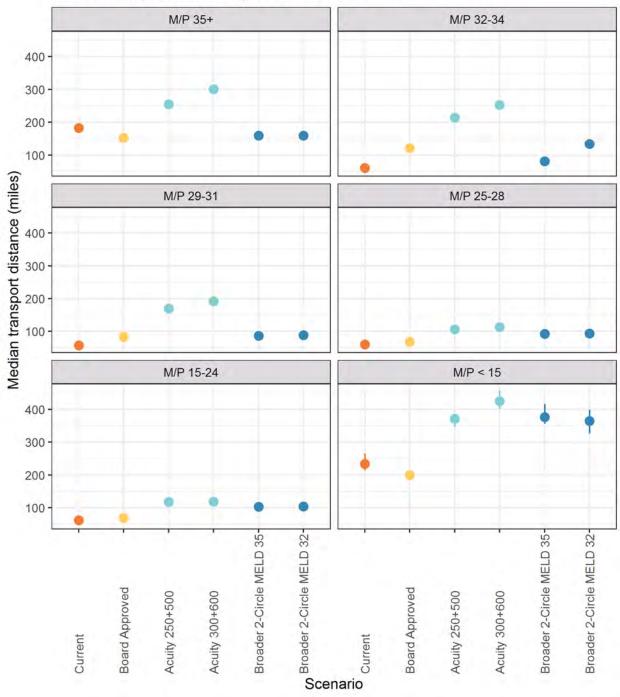


Figure 25 Median Transport Distance by Allocation MELD/PELD



#### Percentage of Organs Flown by Exception Status

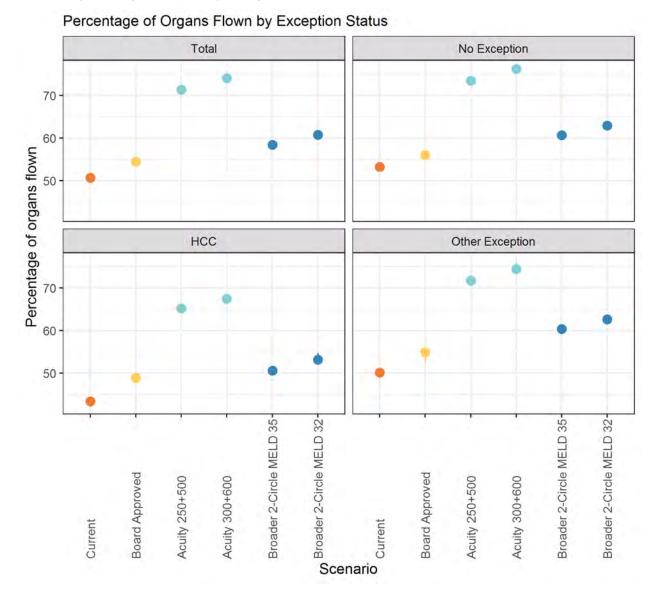


Figure 26 Percentage of Organs Flown by Exception Status

#### Percentage of Organs Flown by Allocation MELD/PELD

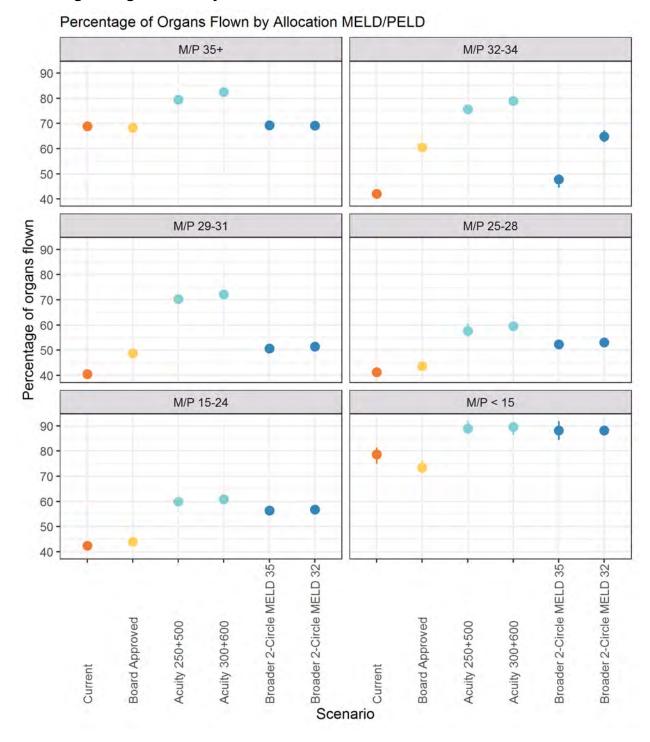


Figure 27 Percentage of Organs Flown by Allocation MELD/PELD

## Maps of Percentage of Organs Flown by Transplant DSA

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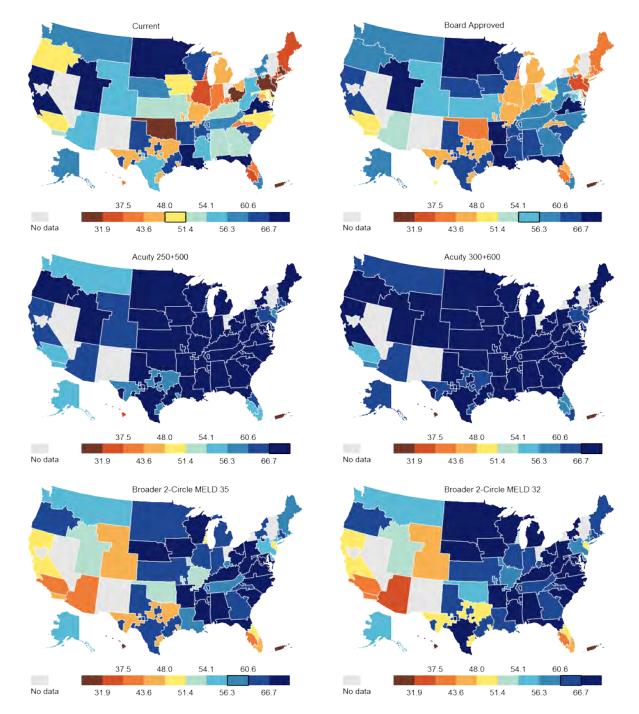


Figure 28 Maps of Percentage of Organs Flown by Transplant DSA

## Maps of Percentage of Organs Flown by Donor DSA



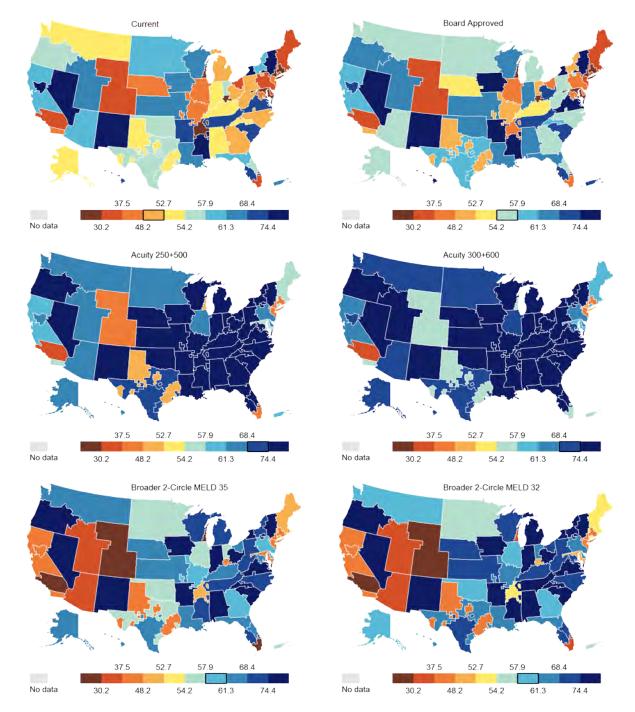


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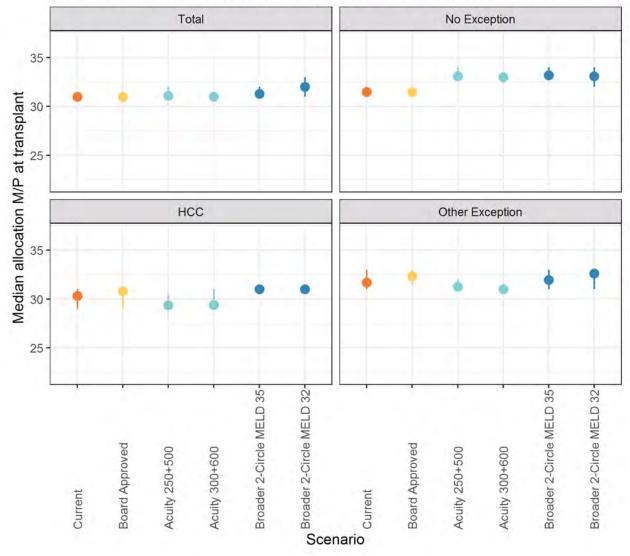
## Appendices

# Appendix A: Results by OPTN Region

## Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

#### Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 1



*Figure 30 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 1* 



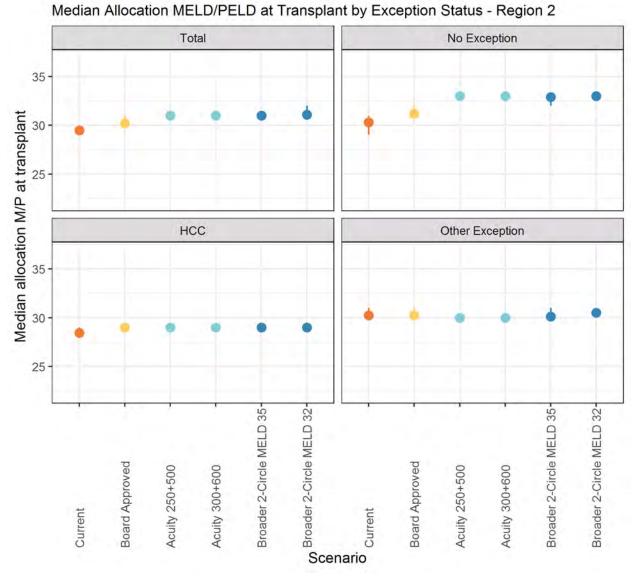
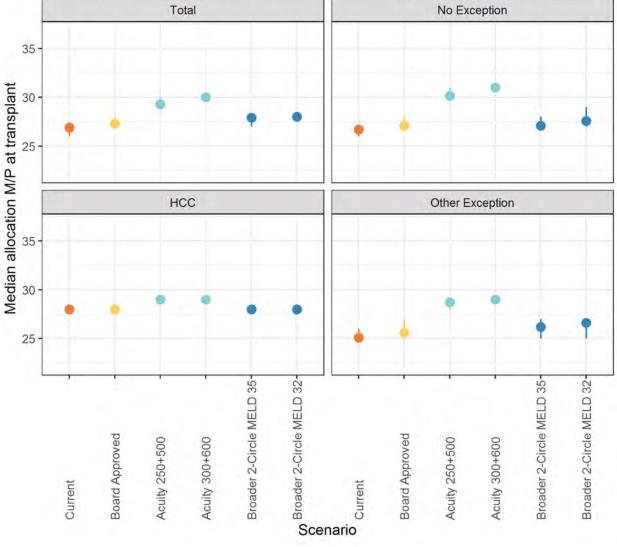


Figure 31 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 2





Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 3

Figure 32 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 3



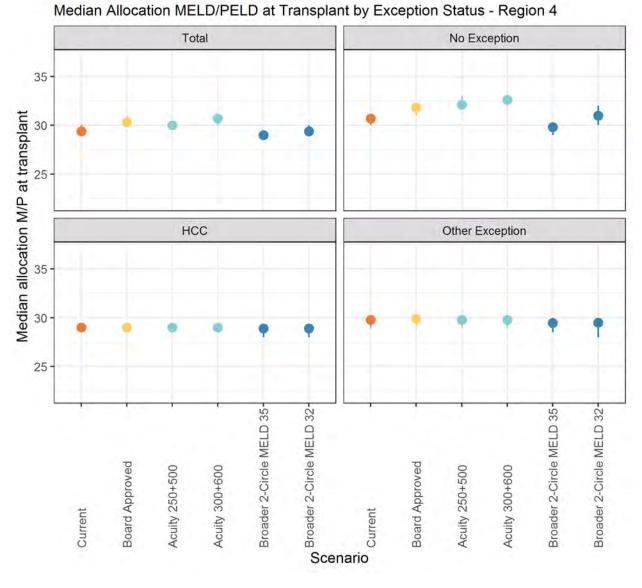


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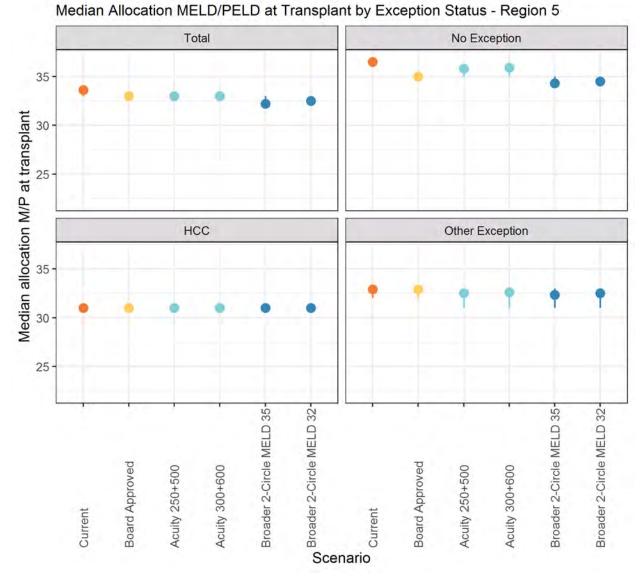


Figure 34 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 5



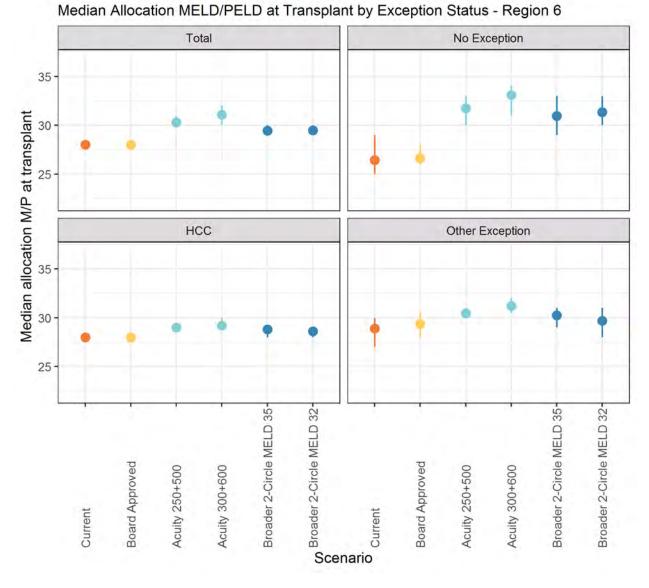


Figure 35 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 6



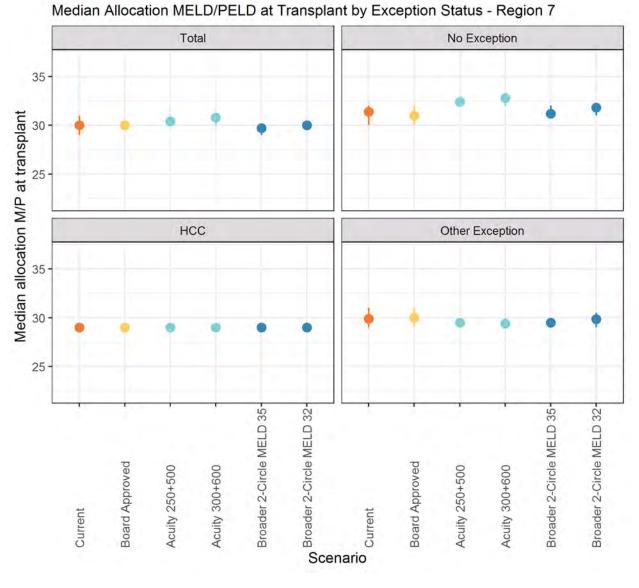
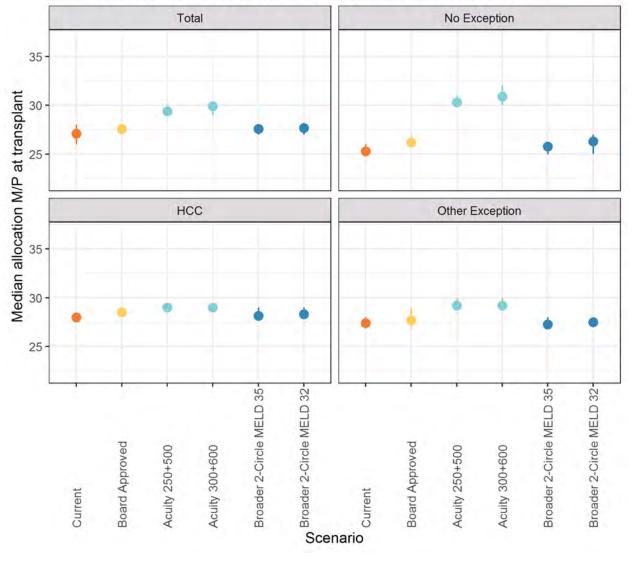


Figure 36 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 7





Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 8

Figure 37 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 8



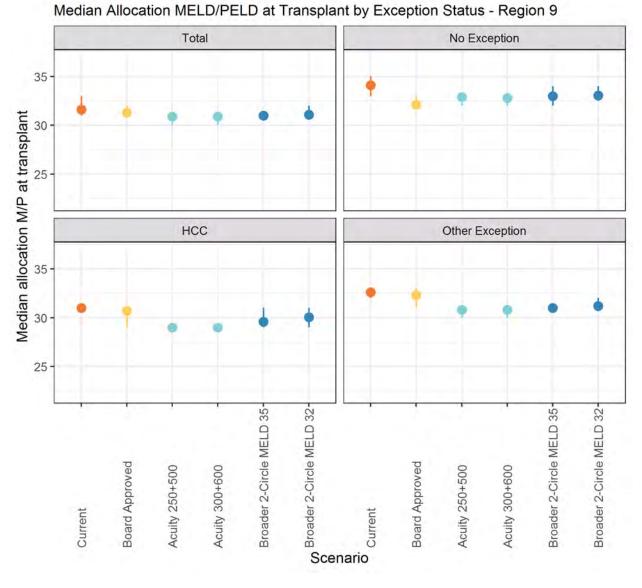
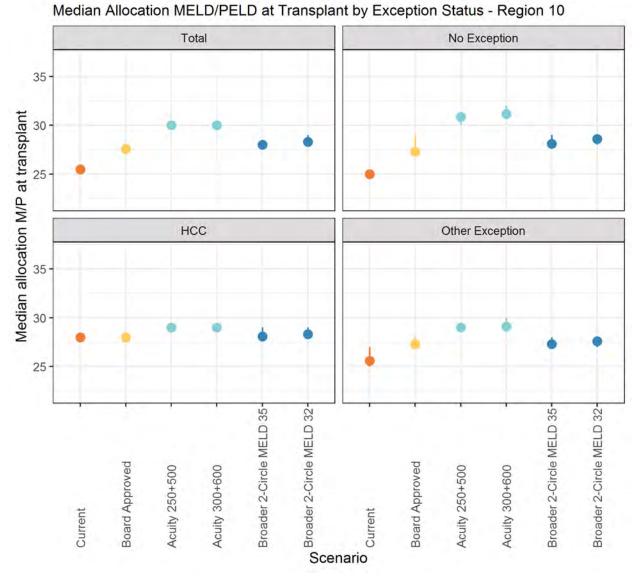


Figure 38 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 9

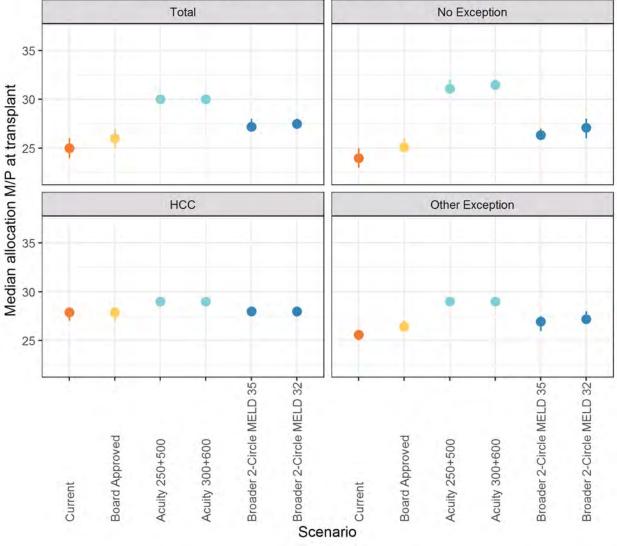




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Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 11

Figure 40 Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant by Exception Status - Region 11



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## Transplant

## **Transplant Rates by Exception Status**

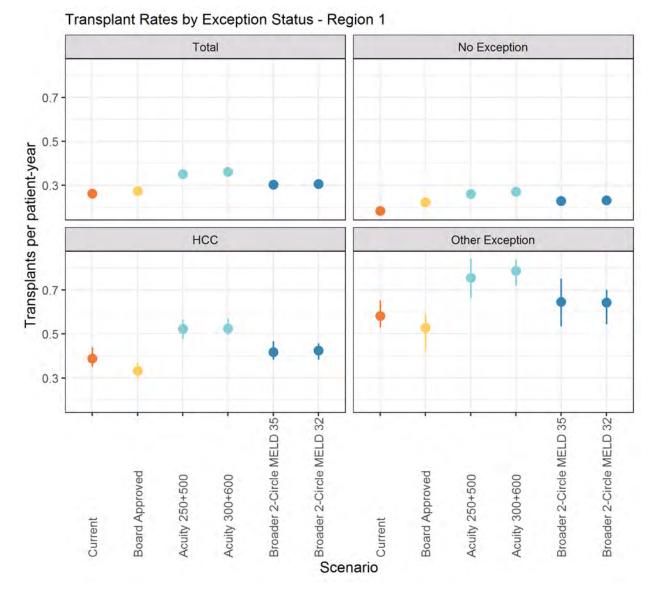


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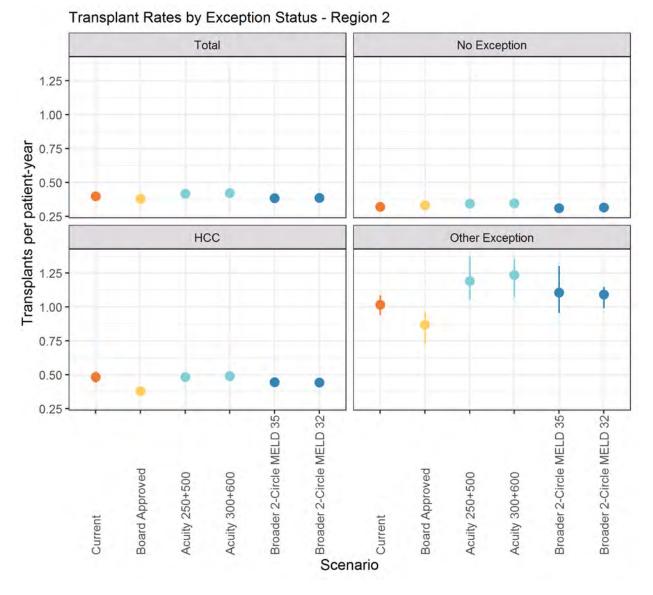


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Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 3 Total No Exception 1.2 1.0 Transplants per patient-year 0.8 0.6 HCC Other Exception 1.2 1.0 0.8 0.6 Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Board Approved Board Approved Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Current Current Scenario

Figure 43 Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 3



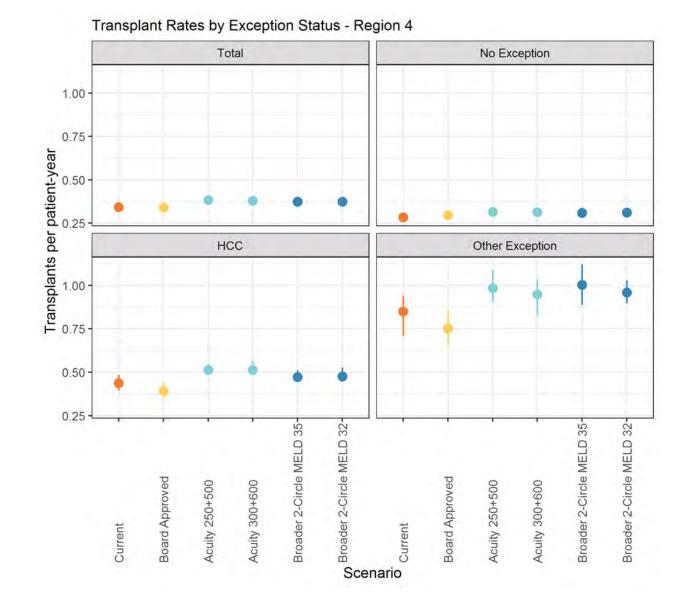


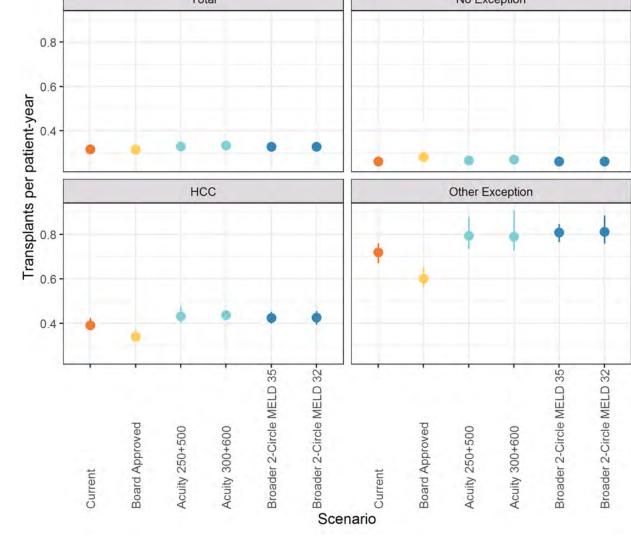
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Figure 45 Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 5



Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 5

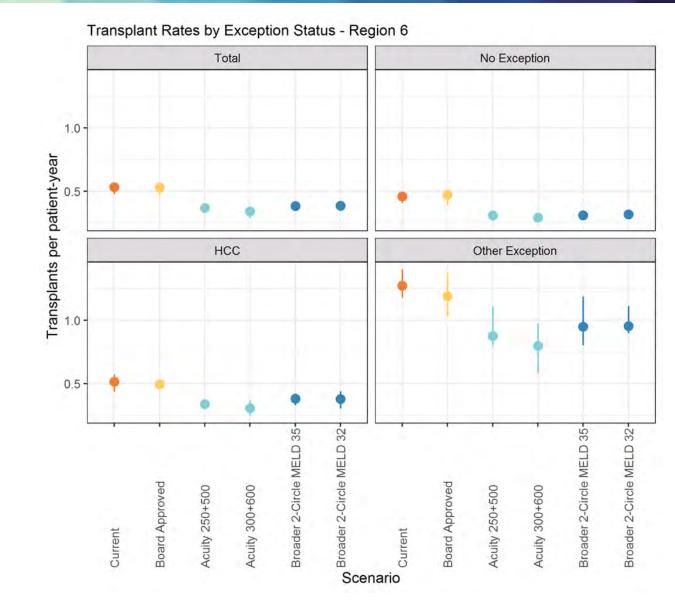


Figure 46 Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 6



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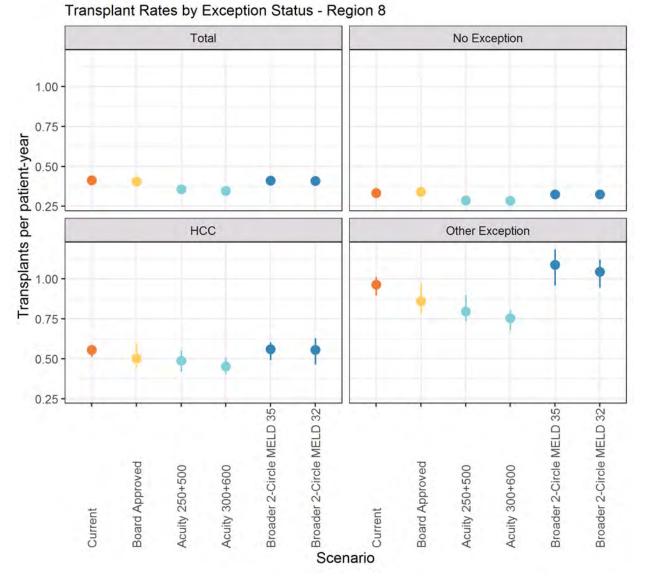


Figure 48 Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 8

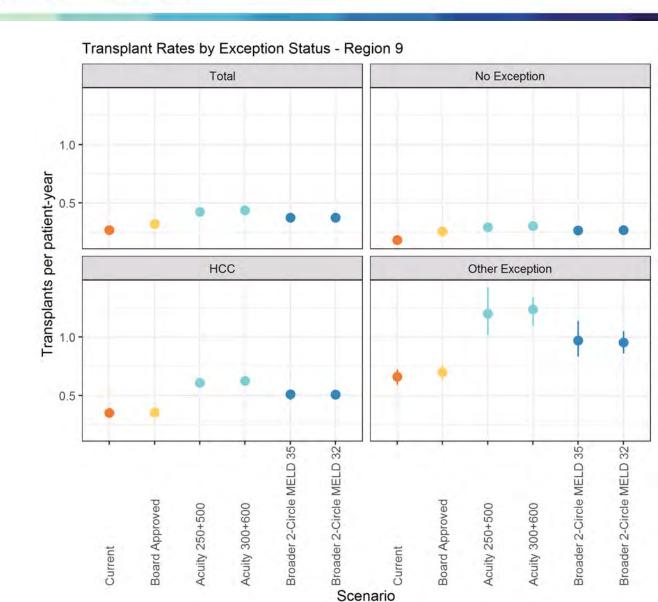


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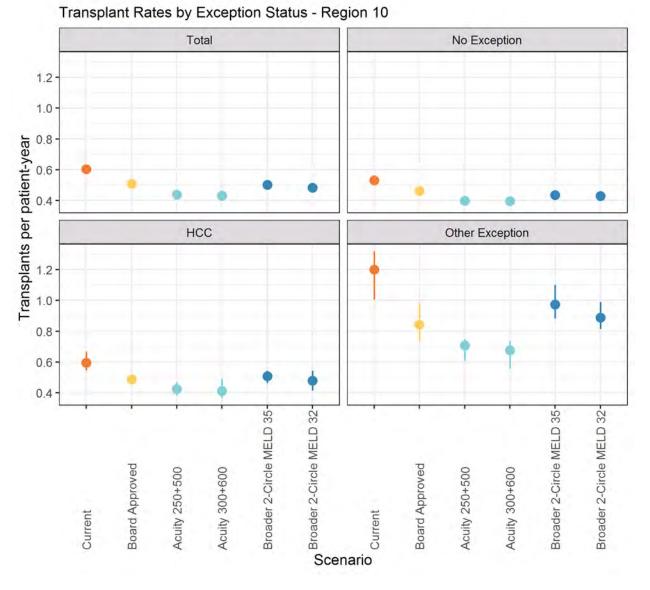


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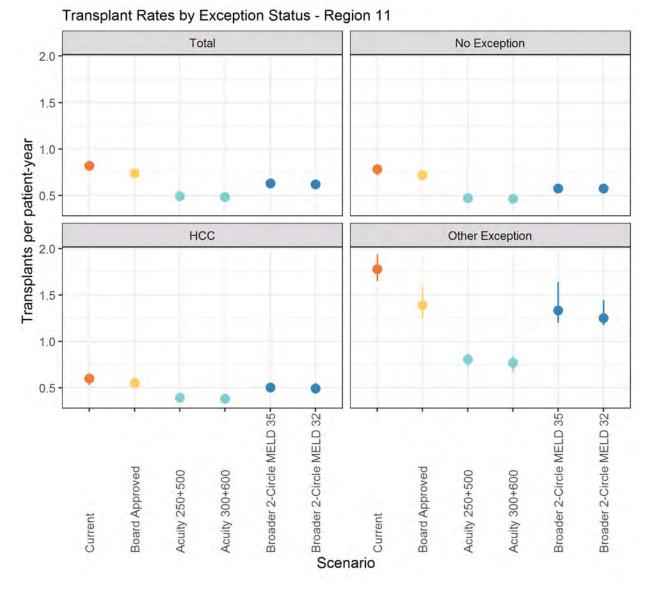


Figure 51 Transplant Rates by Exception Status - Region 11



### **Transplant Counts by Exception Status**

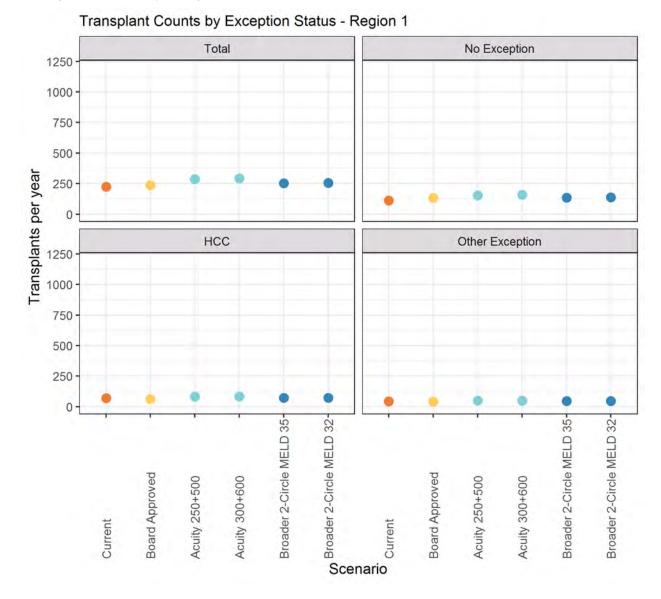


Figure 52 Transplant Counts by Exception Status - Region 1

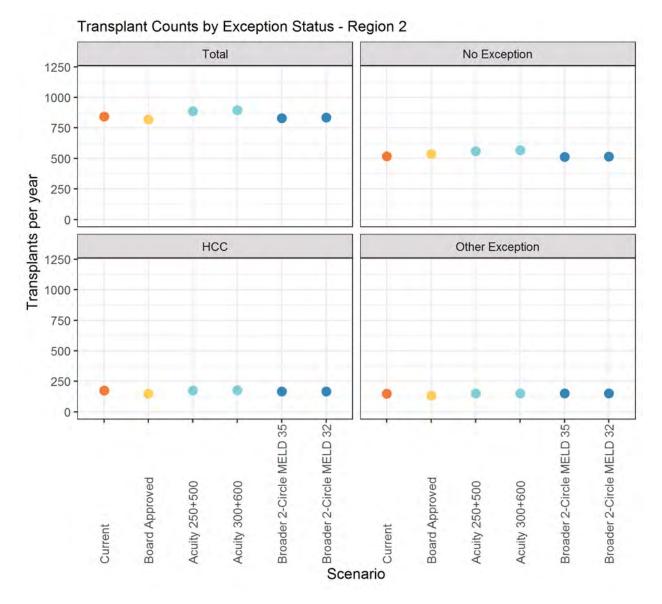


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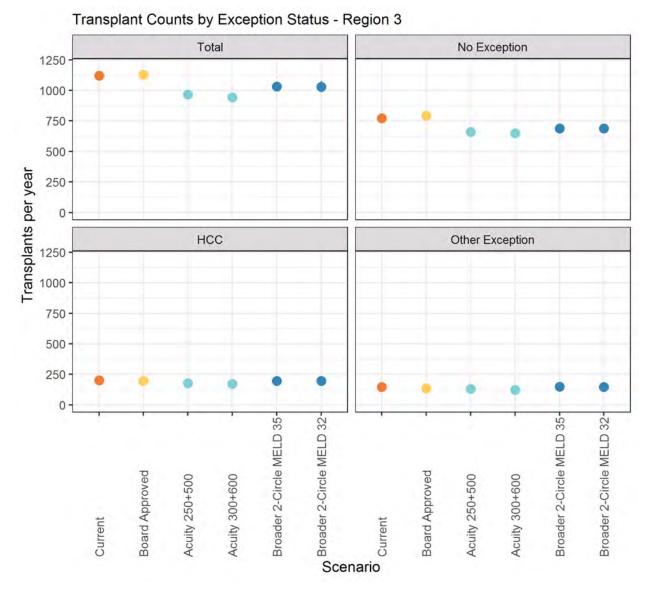


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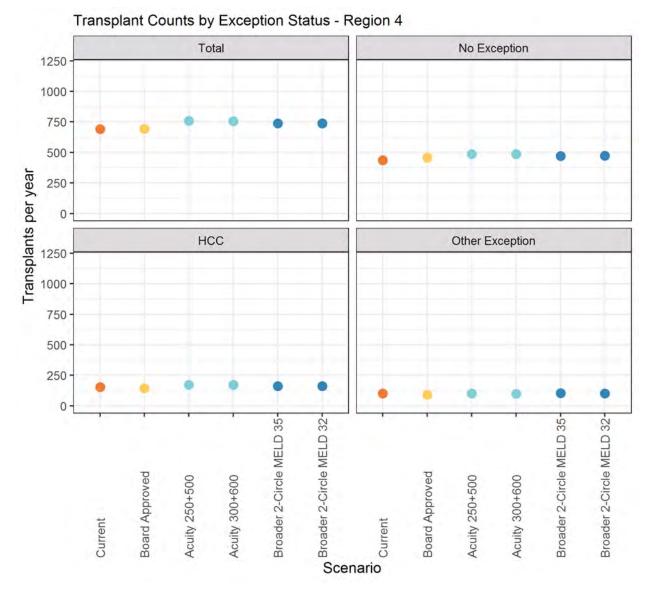


Figure 55 Transplant Counts by Exception Status - Region 4



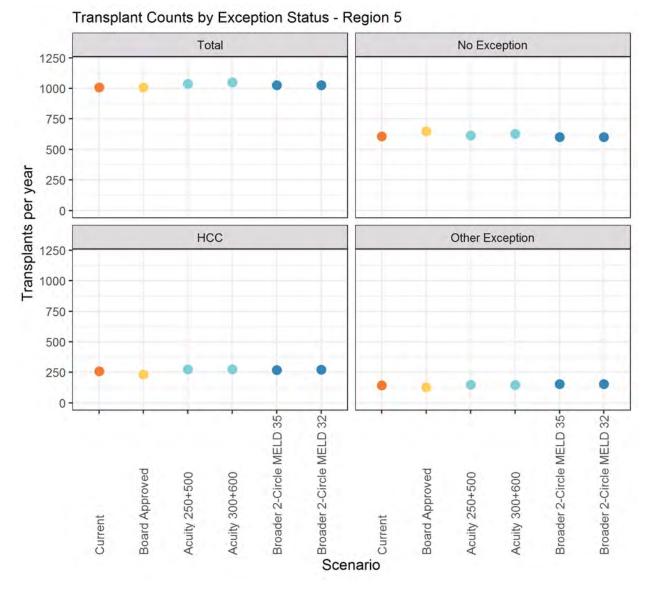


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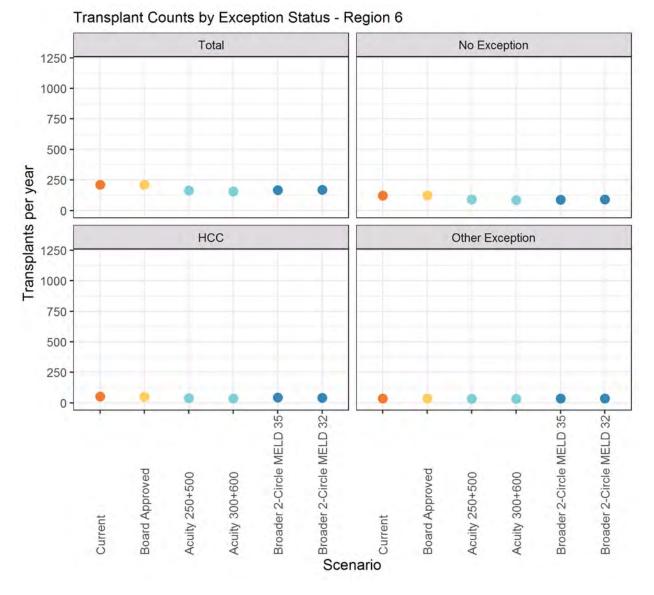


Figure 57 Transplant Counts by Exception Status - Region 6



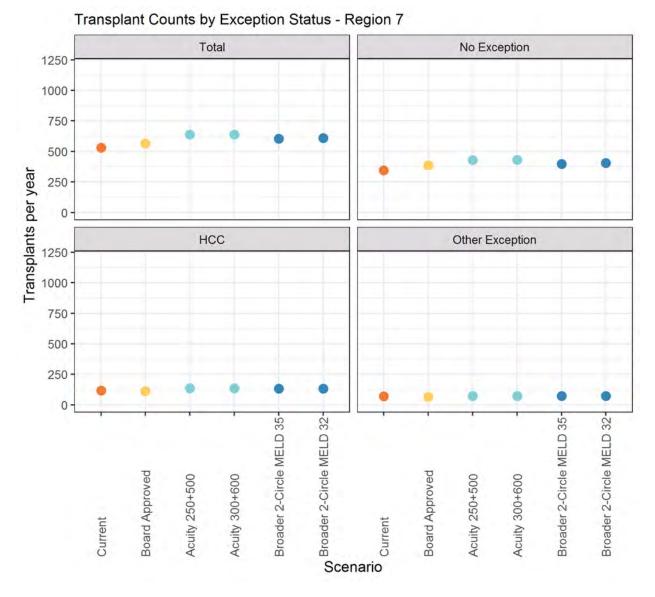


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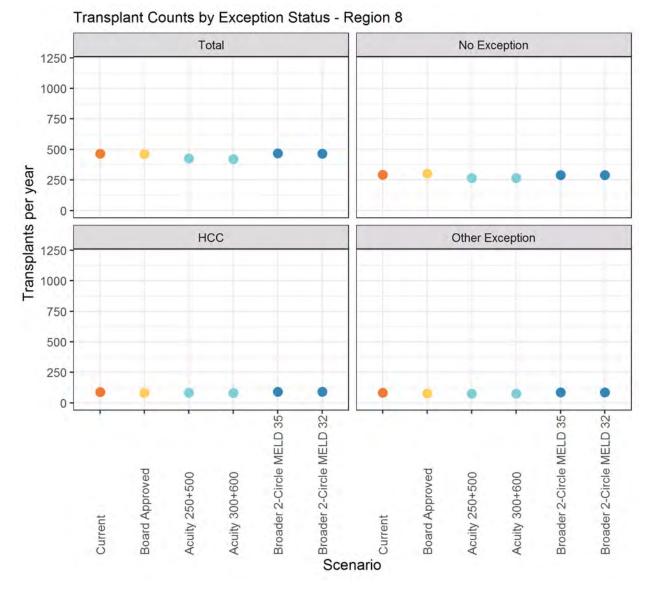


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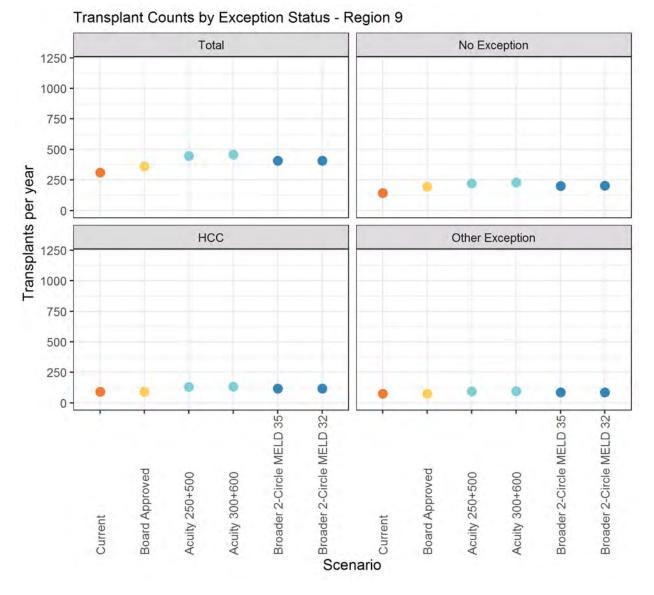


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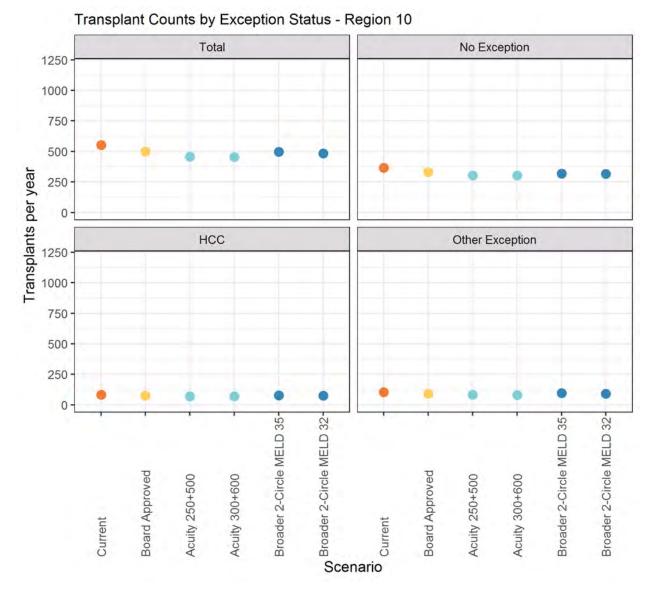


Figure 61 Transplant Counts by Exception Status - Region 10



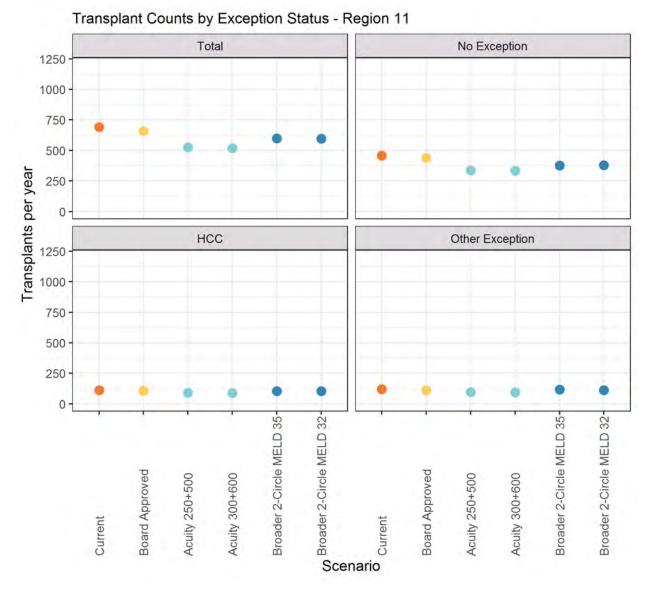


Figure 62 Transplant Counts by Exception Status - Region 11



### **Transplant Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD**

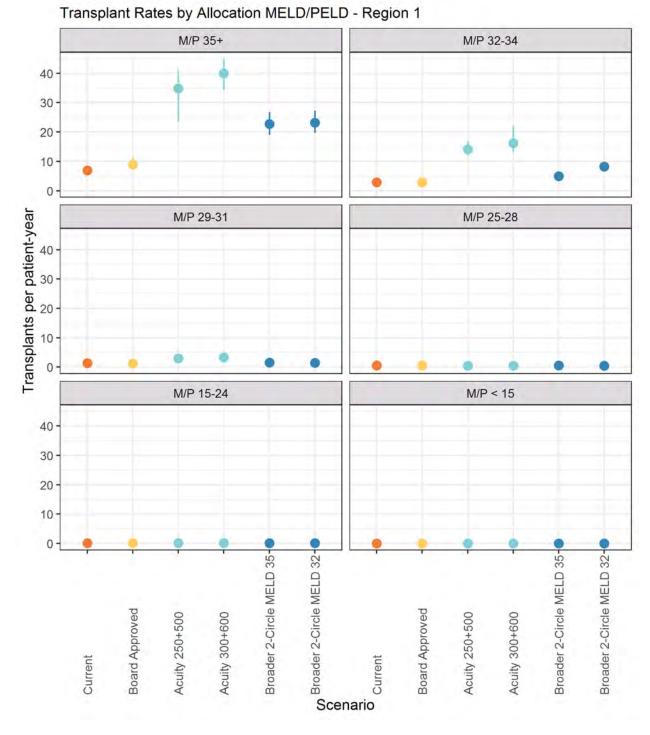


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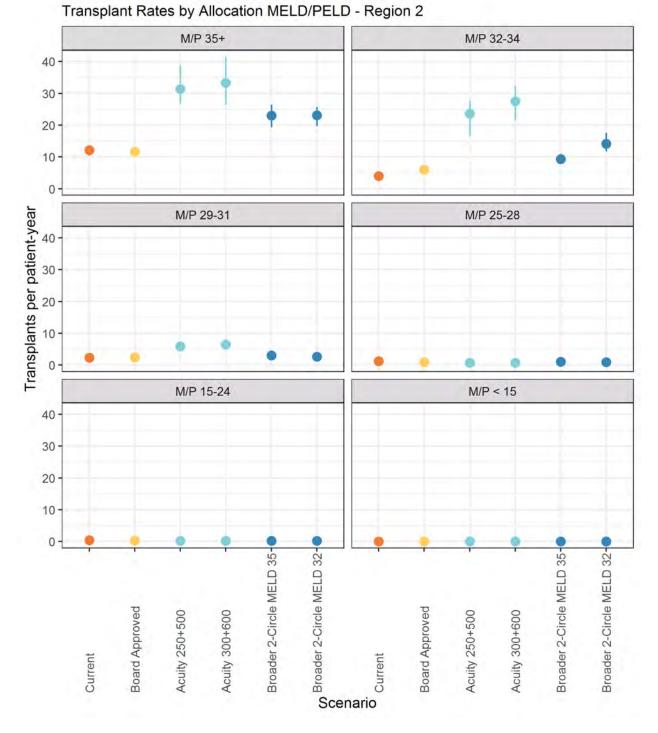


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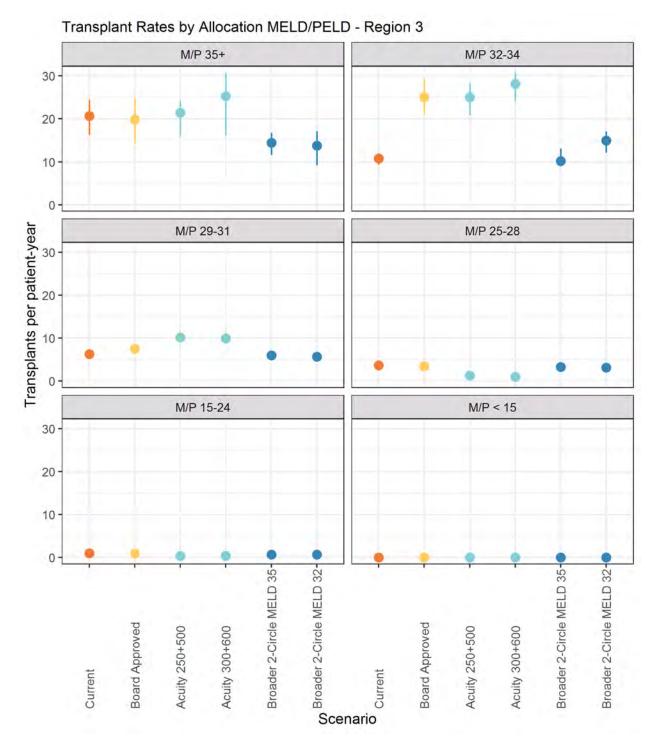


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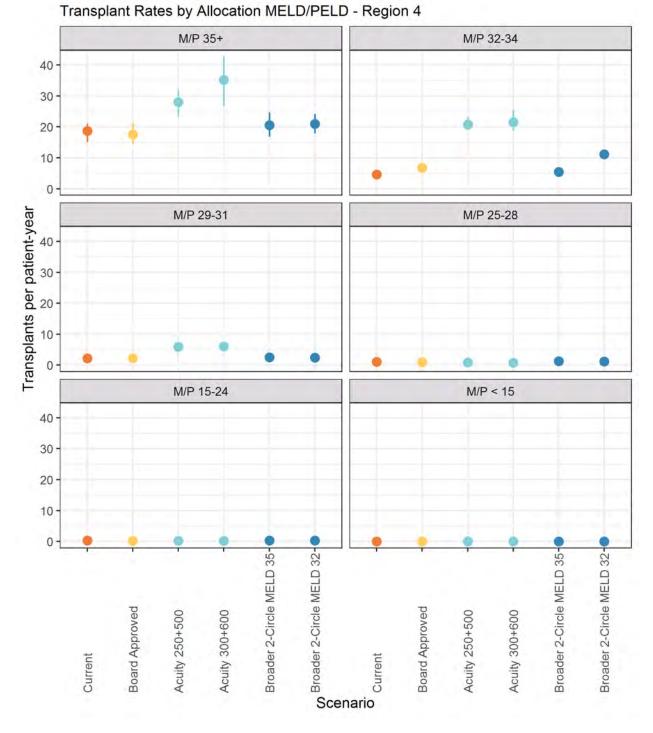


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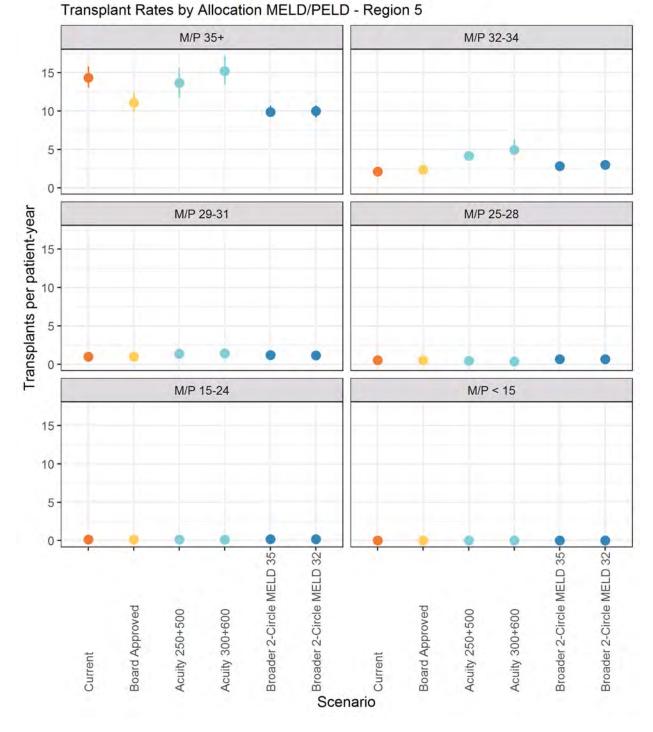


Figure 67 Transplant Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 5

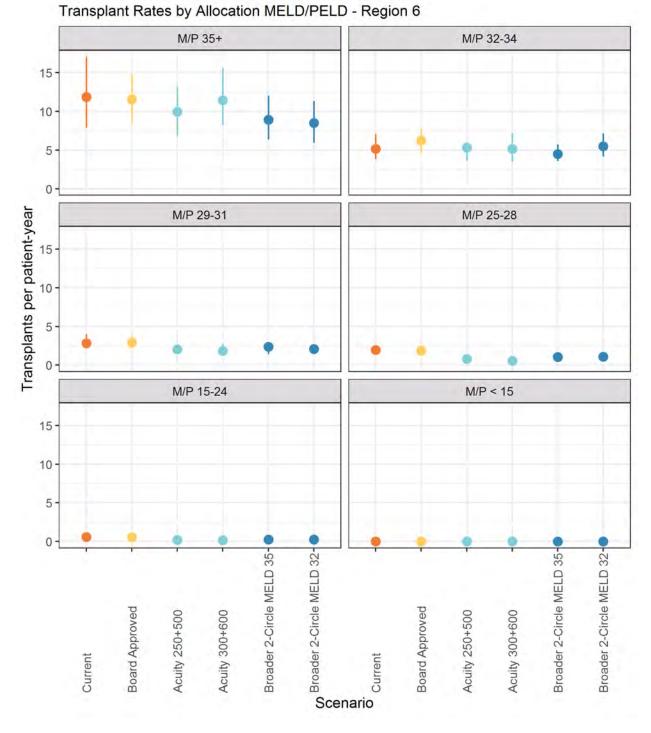


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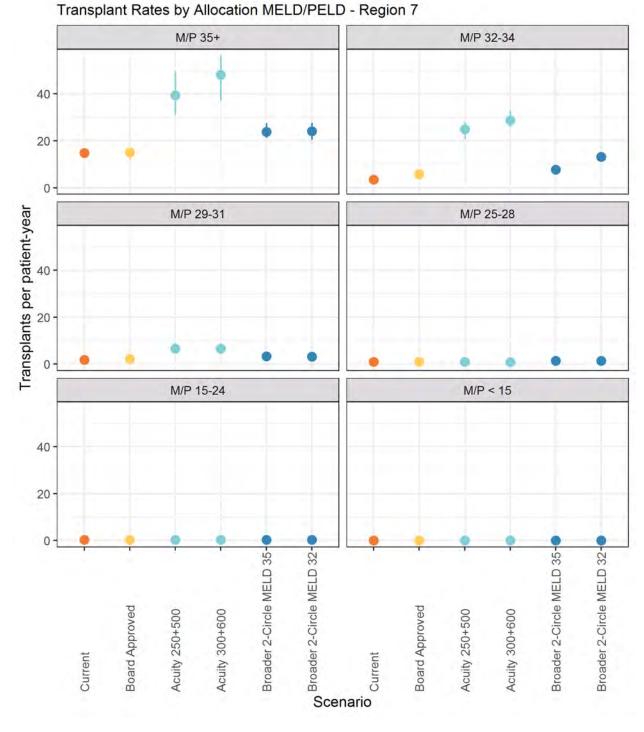


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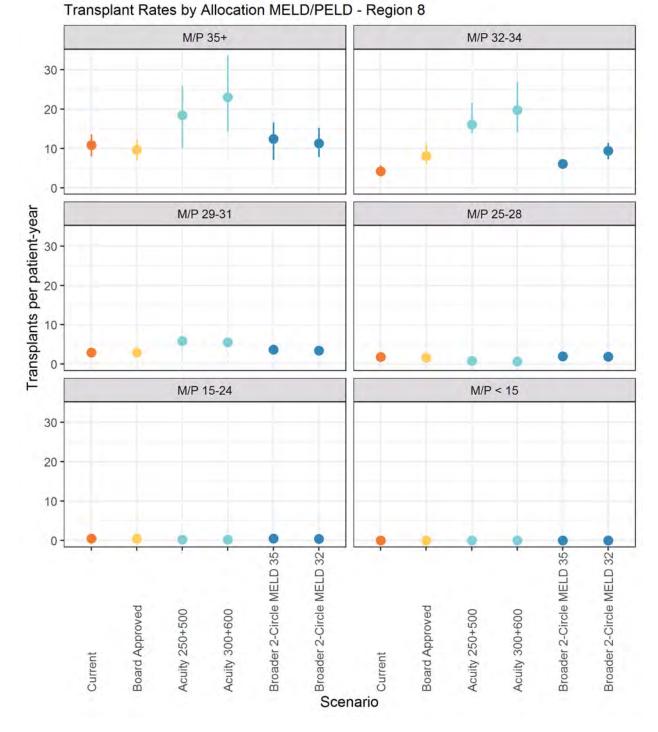


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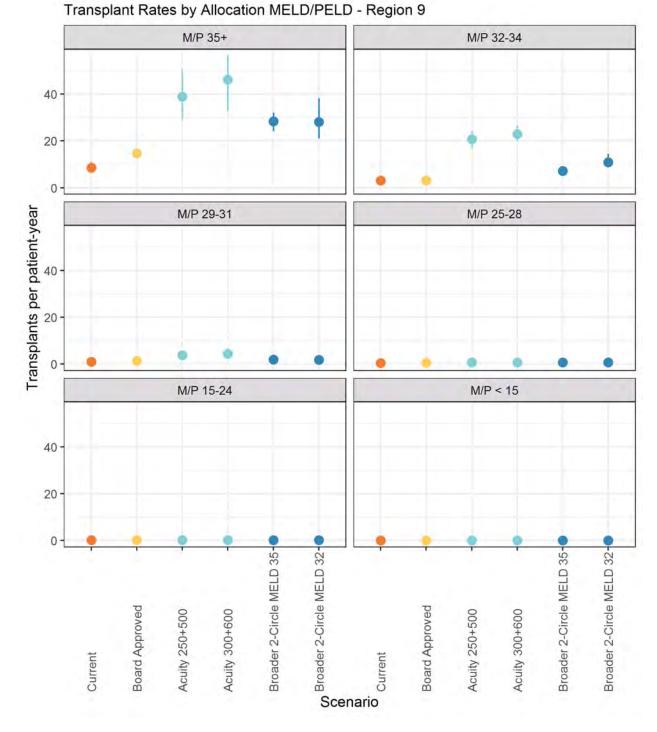


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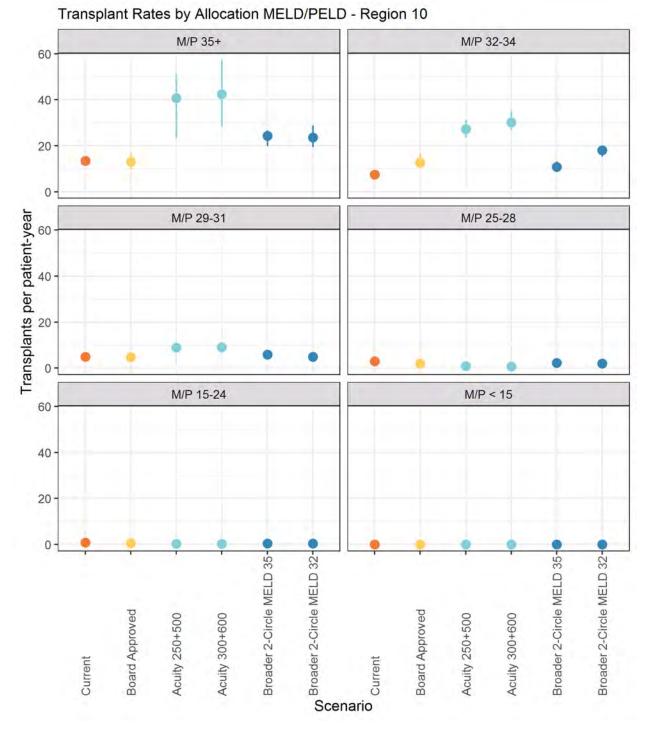


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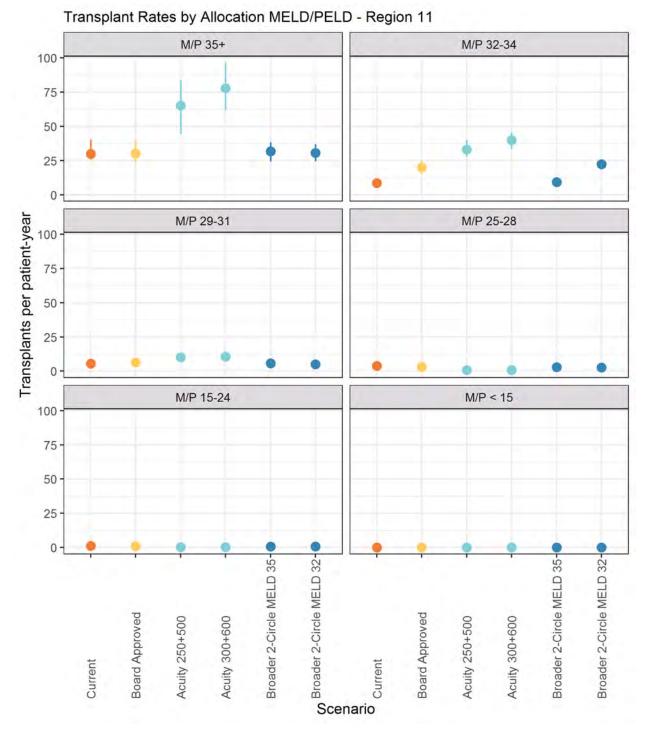


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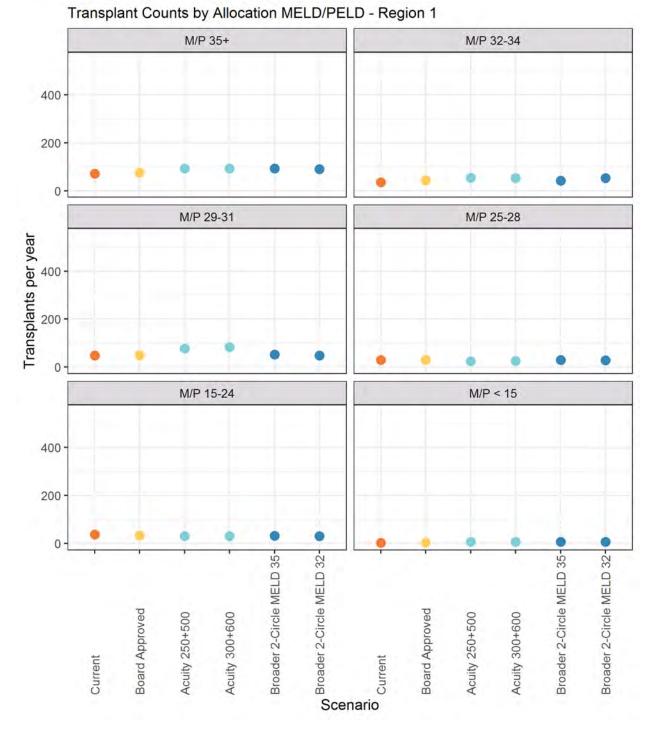


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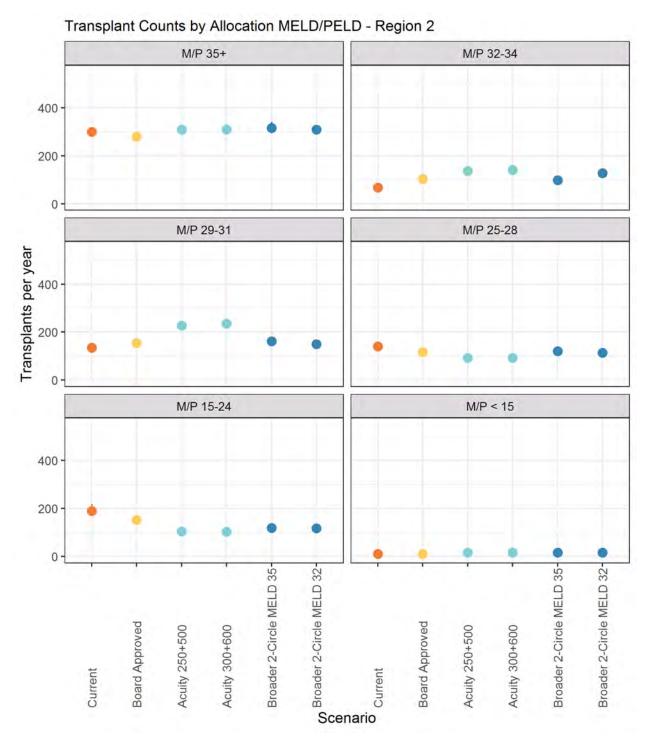


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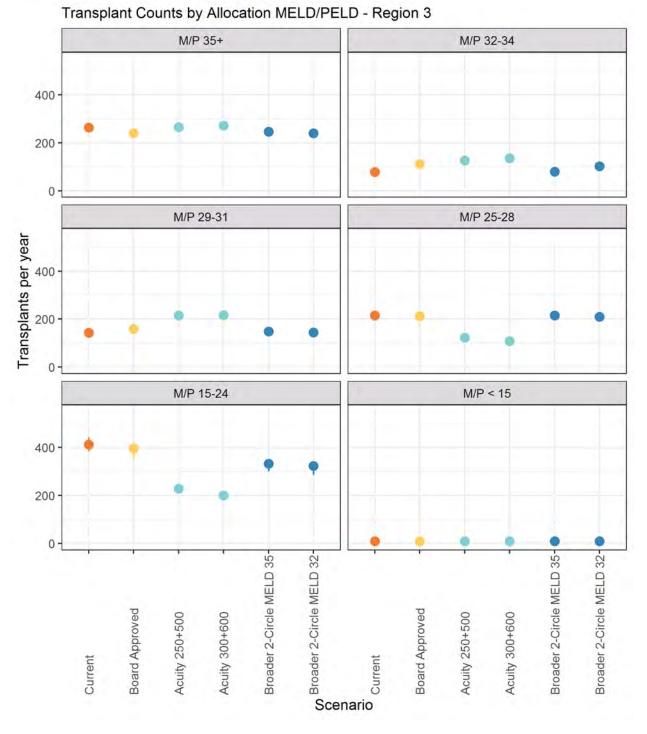


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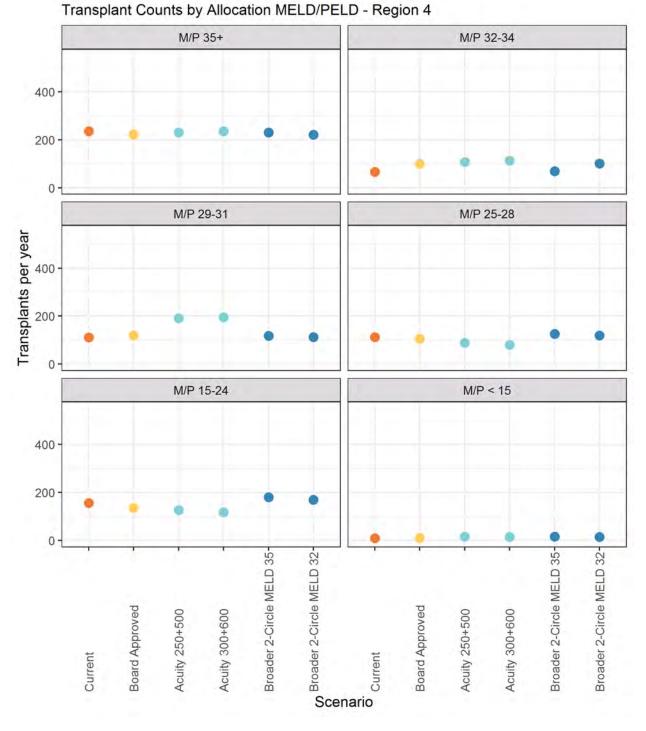


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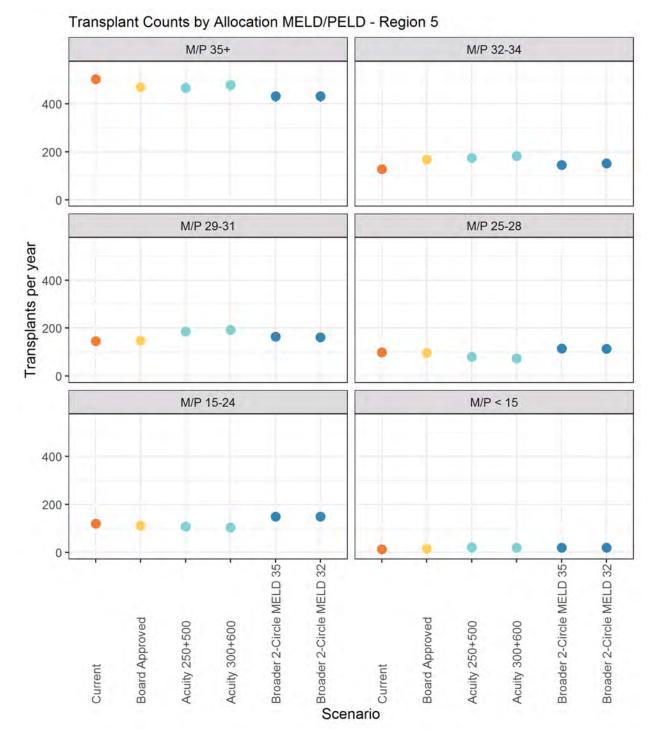


Figure 78 Transplant Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 5



Transplant Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 6 M/P 35+ M/P 32-34 400 200 0 M/P 29-31 M/P 25-28 Transplants per year 400 200 0 M/P 15-24 M/P < 15 400 200 0 Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Board Approved Board Approved Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Current Current Scenario

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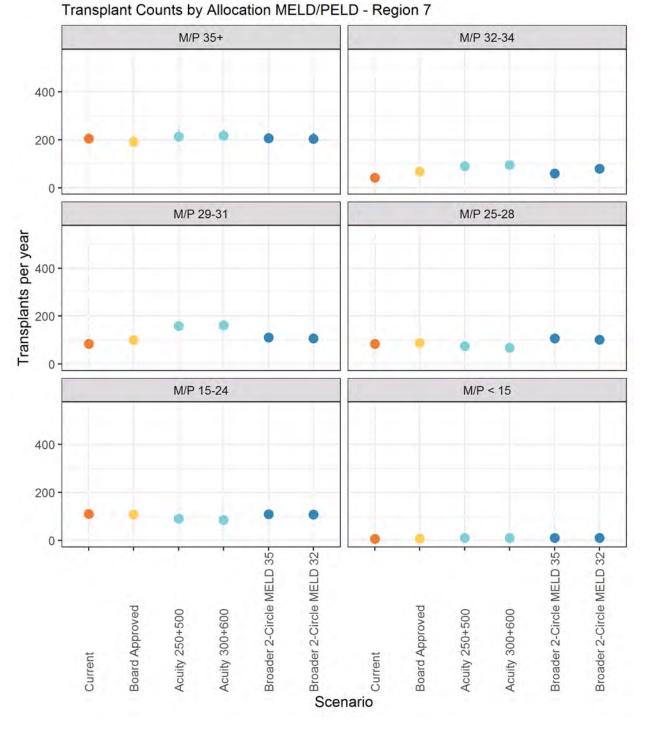


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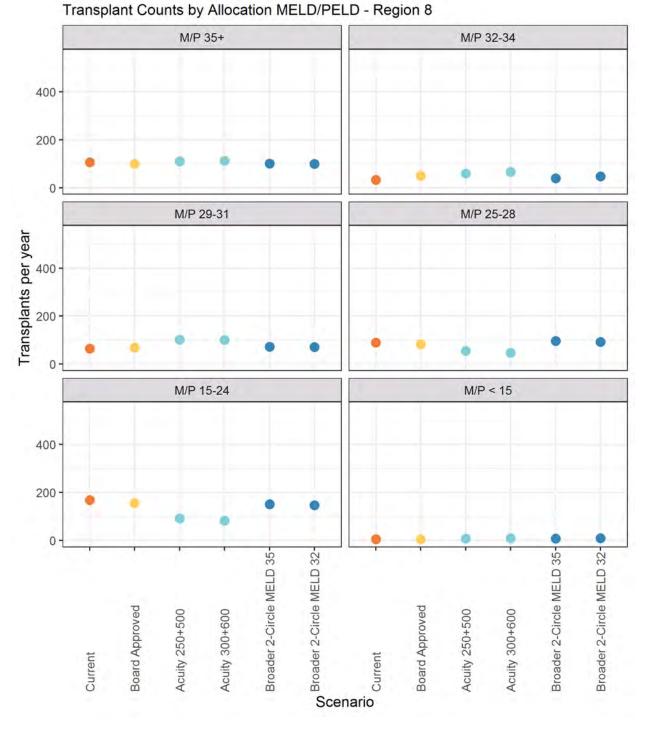


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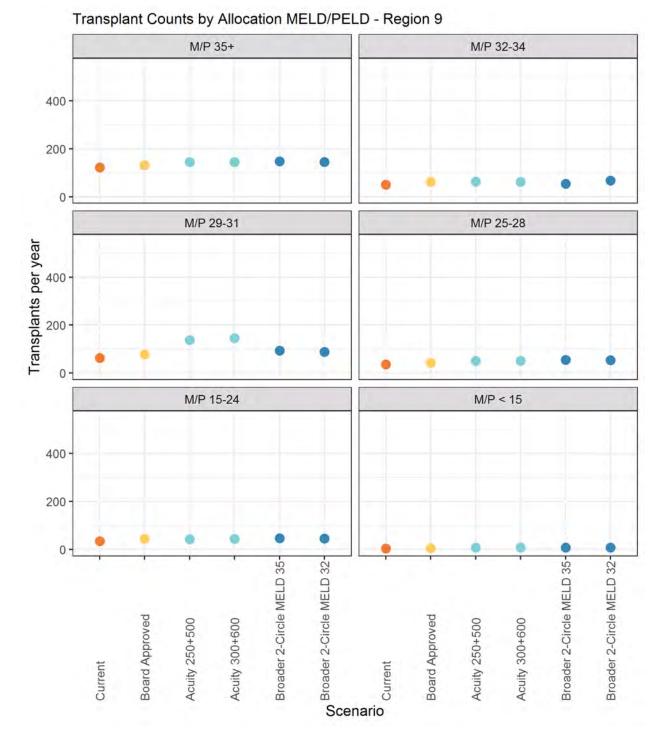


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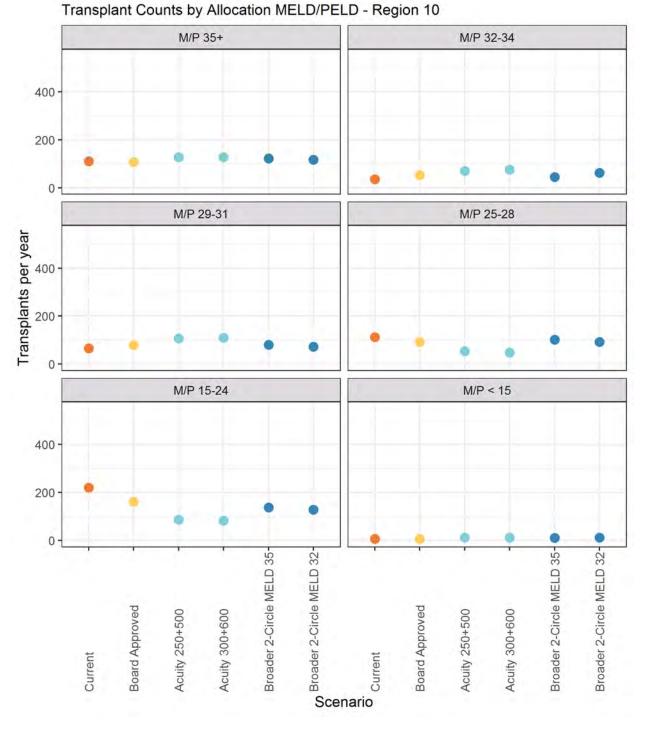


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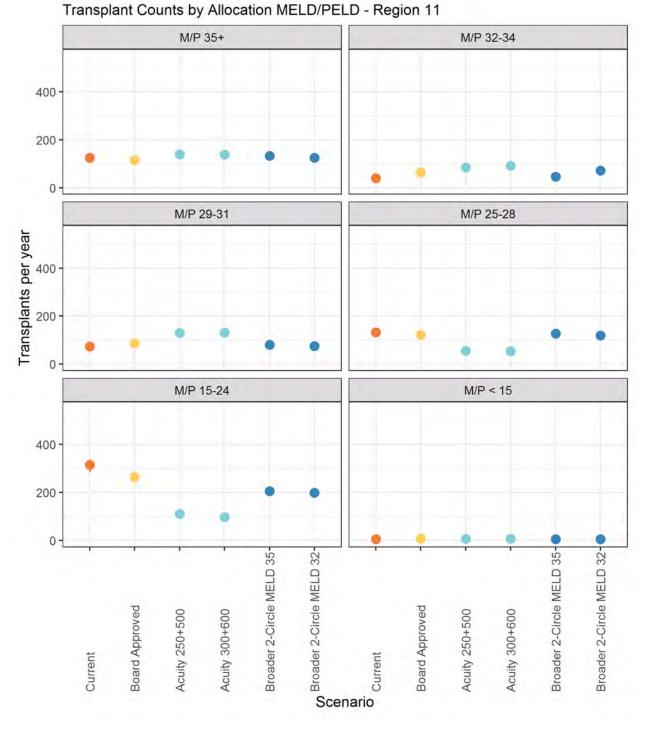


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## Waitlist Mortality

## Waitlist Mortality Rates by Exception Status

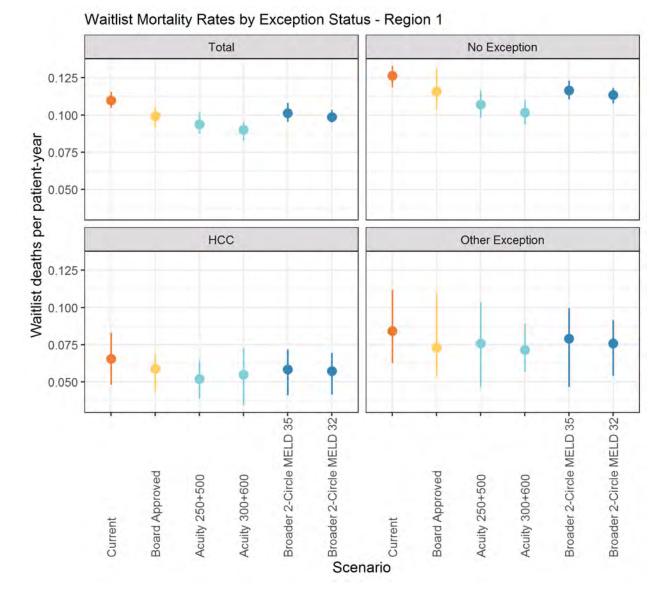


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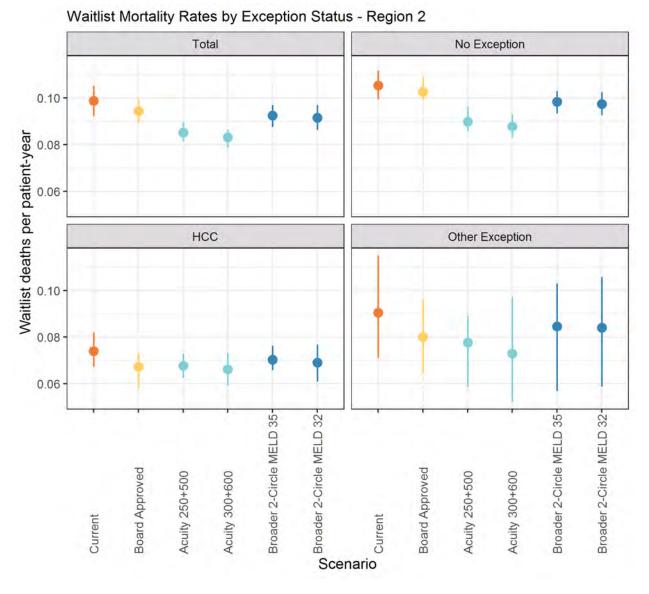


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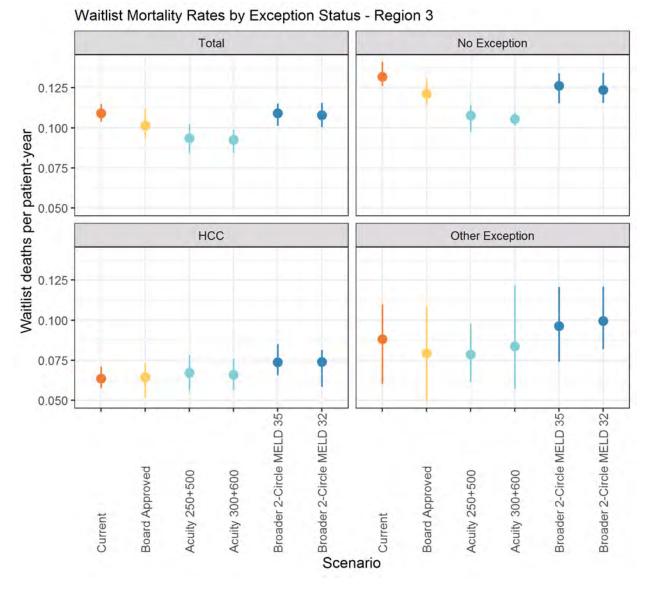


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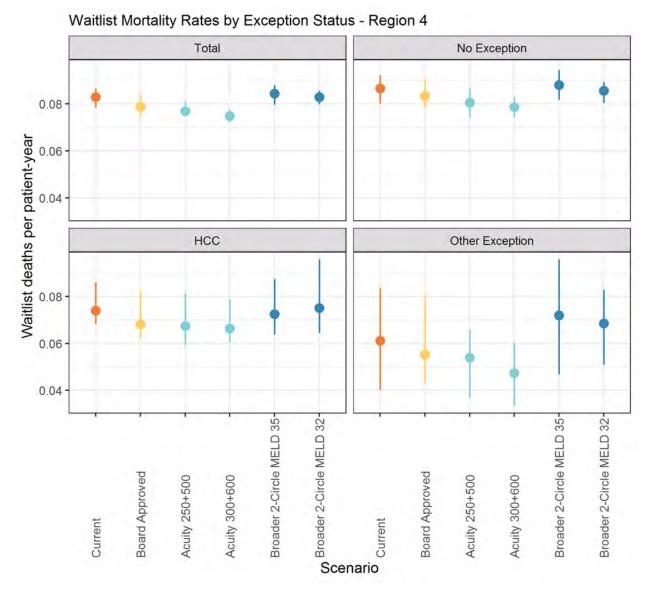


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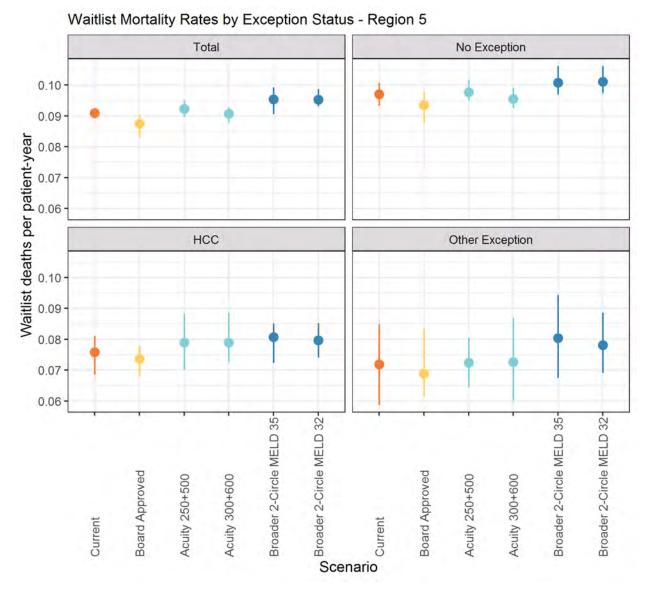


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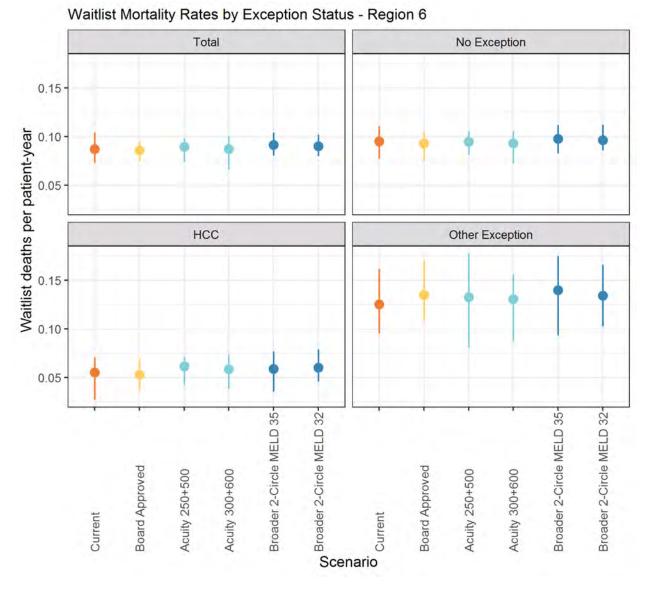


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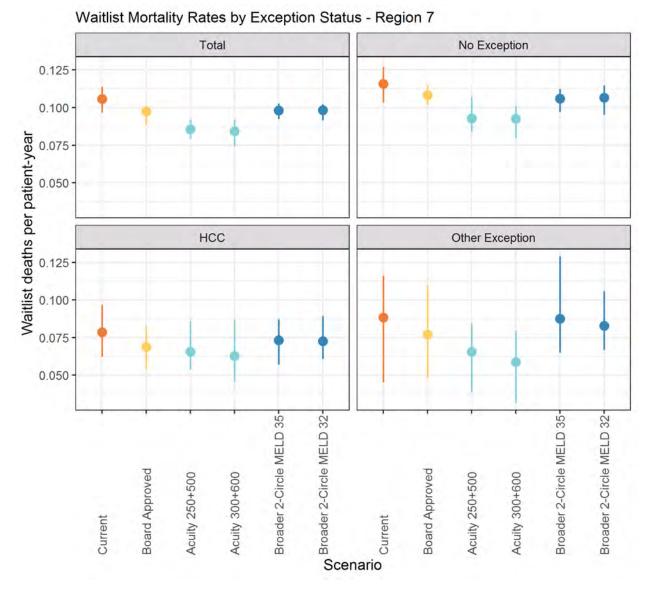


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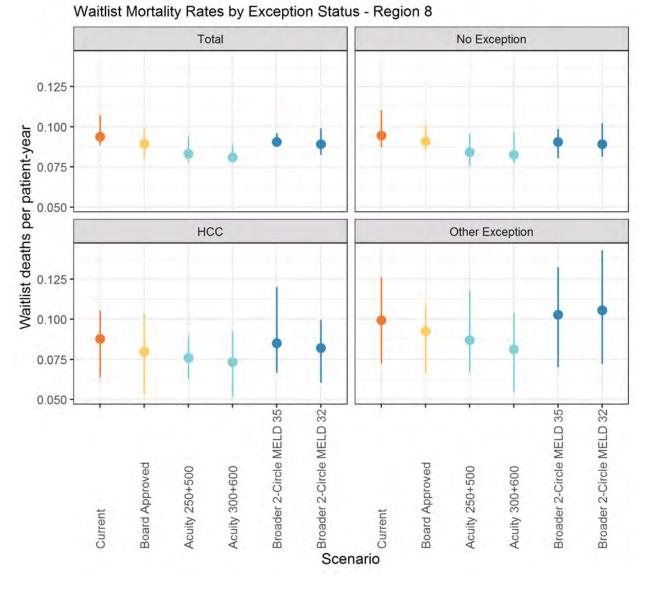


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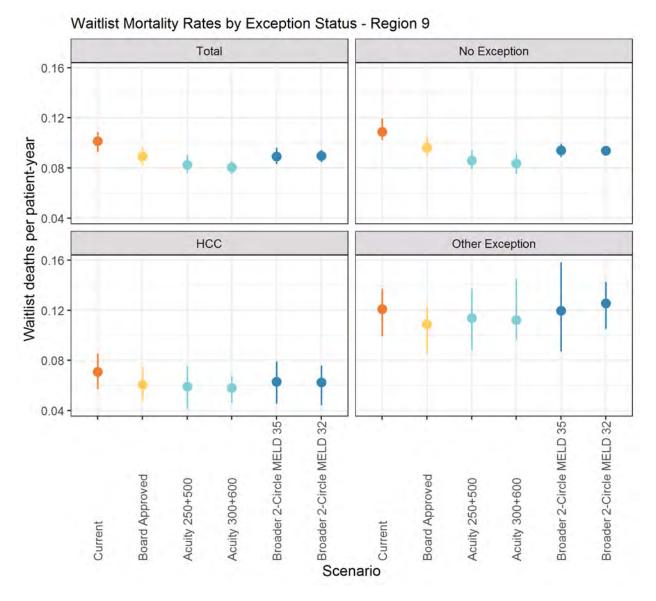


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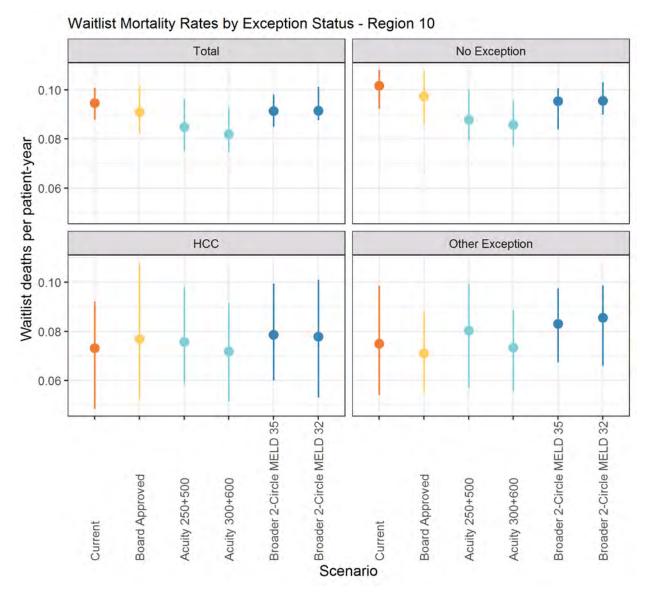


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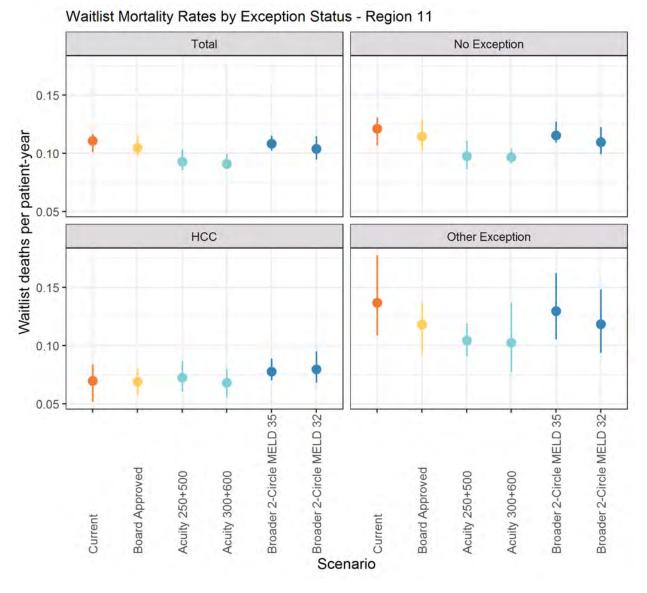


Figure 95 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 11



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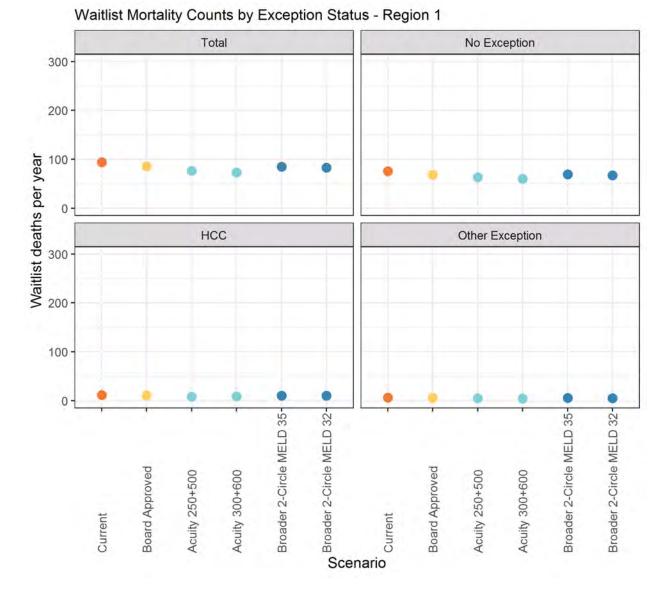


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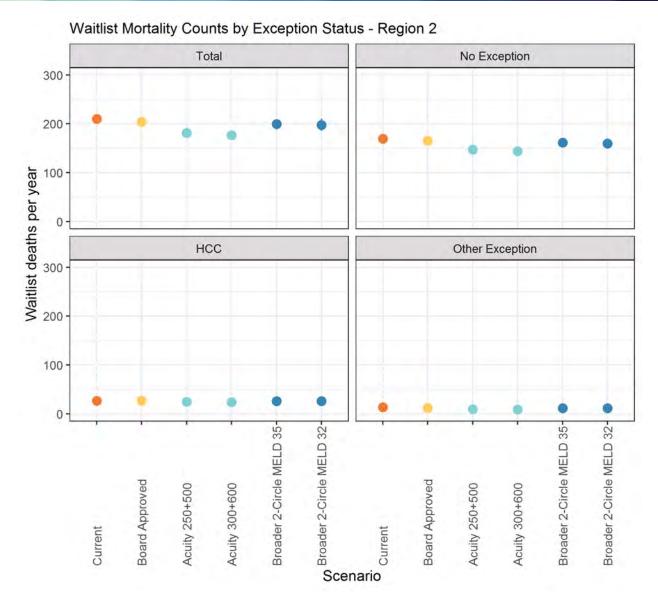


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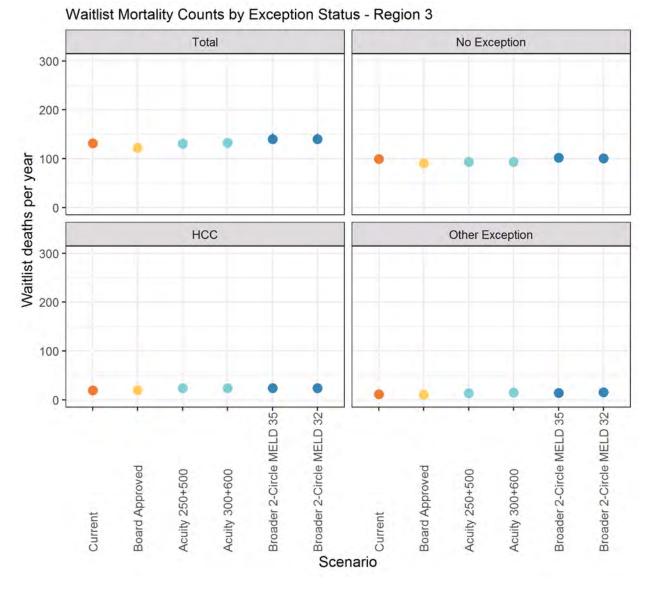


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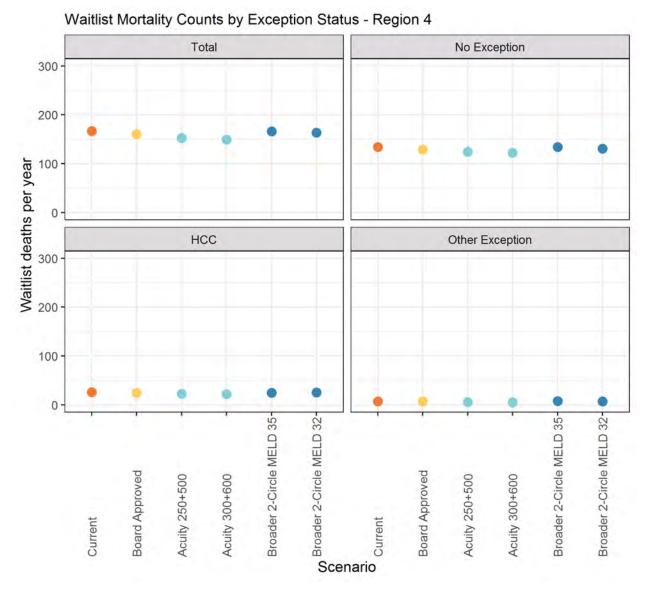


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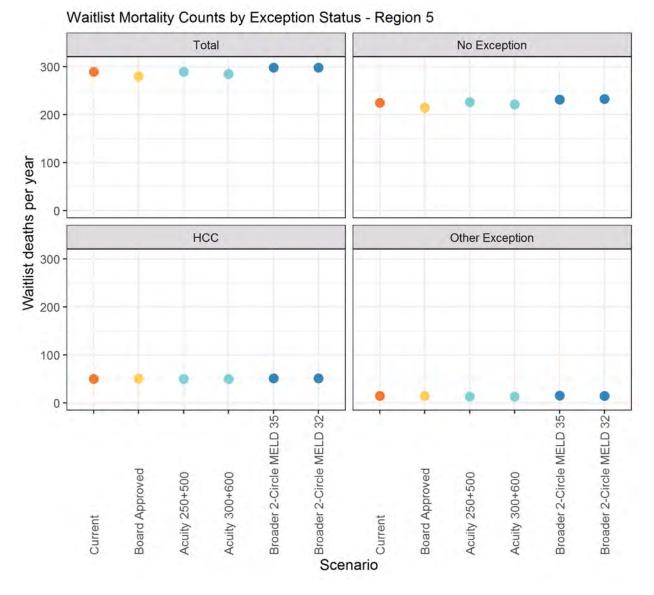


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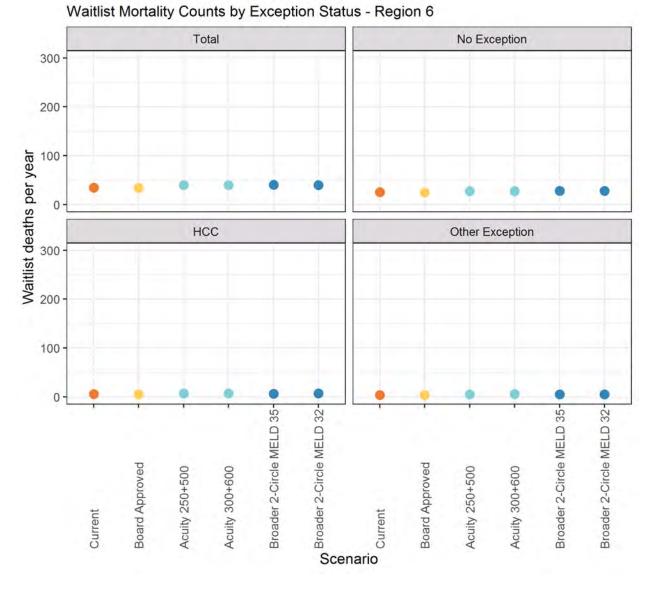


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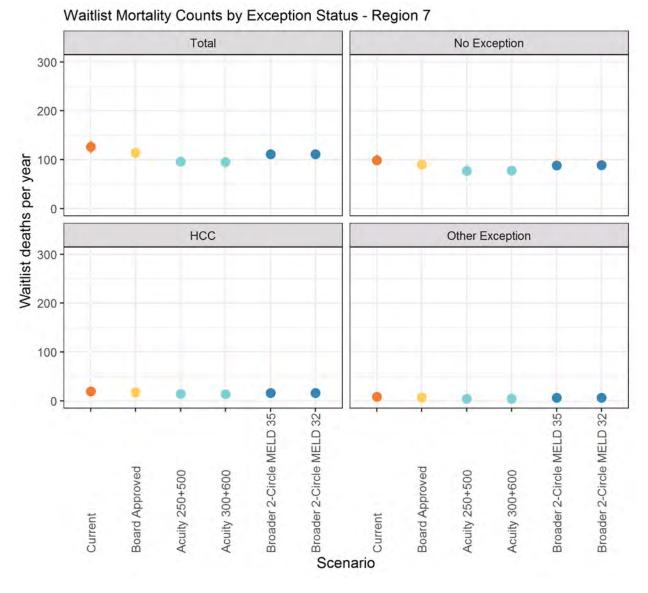


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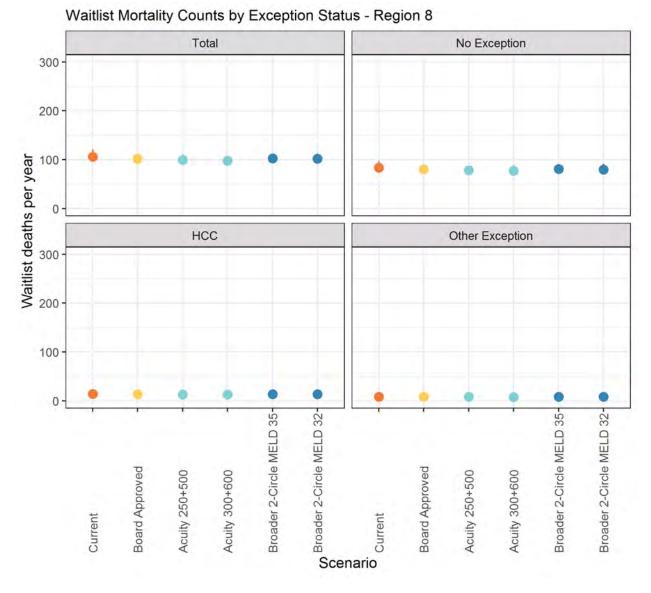


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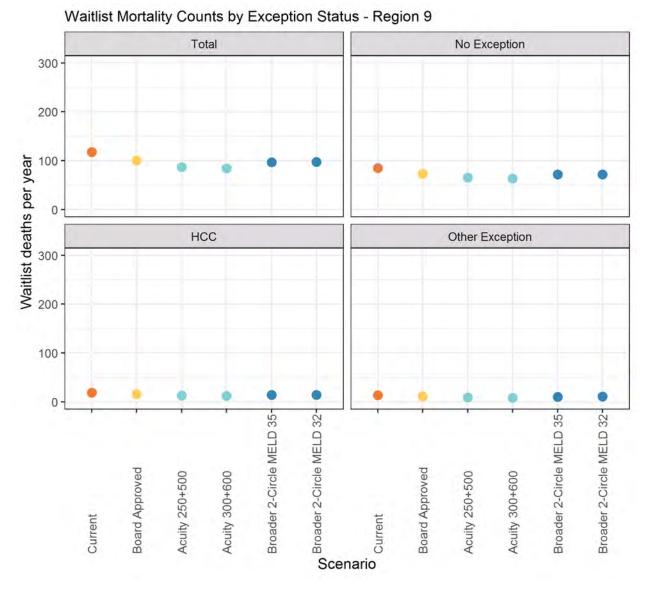


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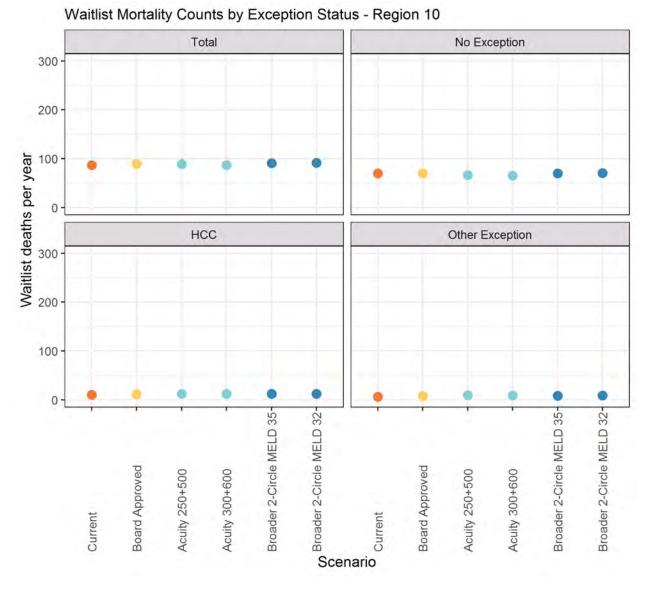


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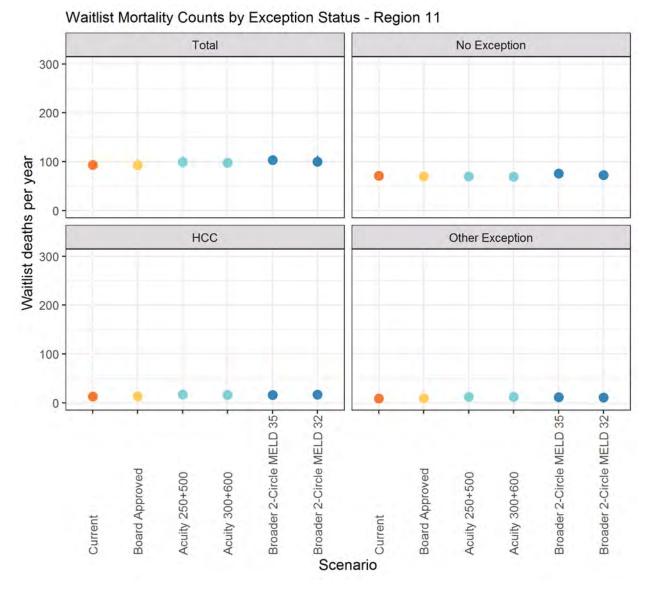


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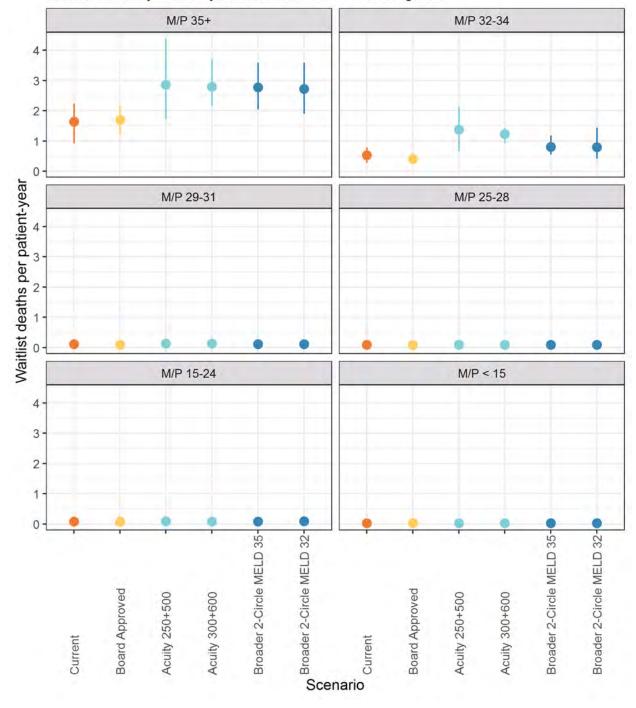
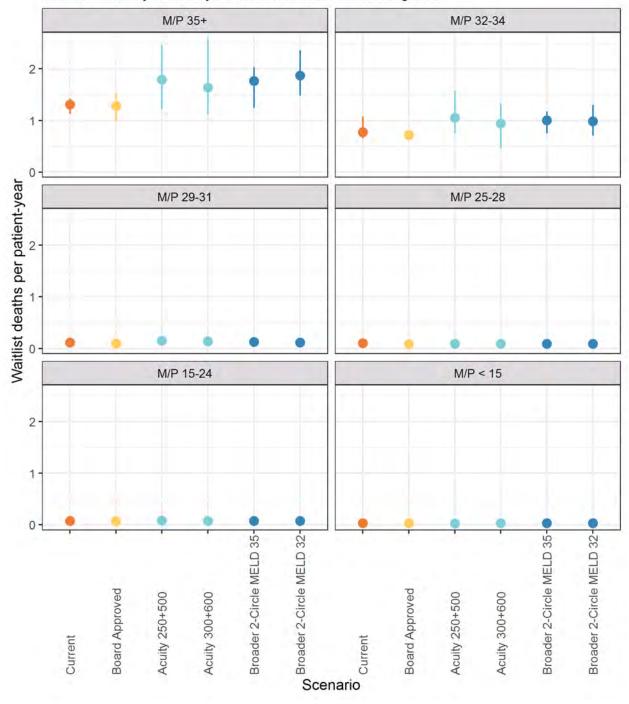


Figure 107 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 1







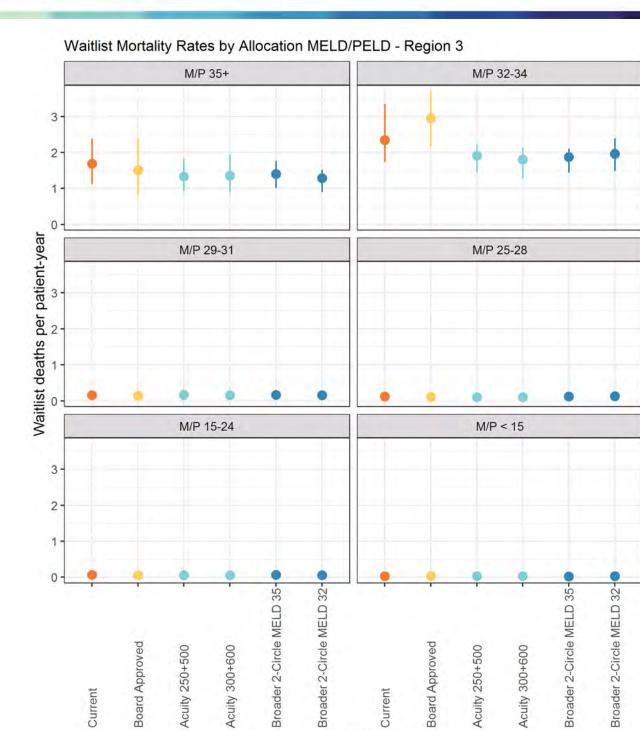


Figure 109 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 3

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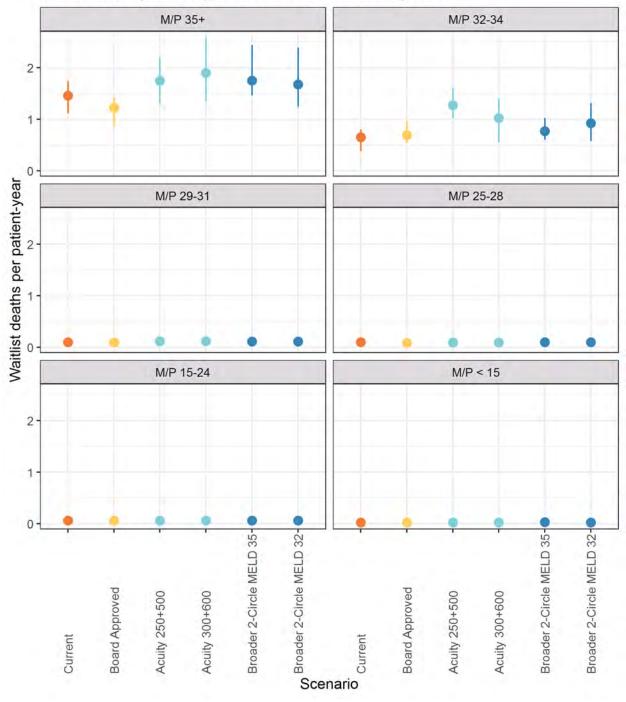


Figure 110 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 4



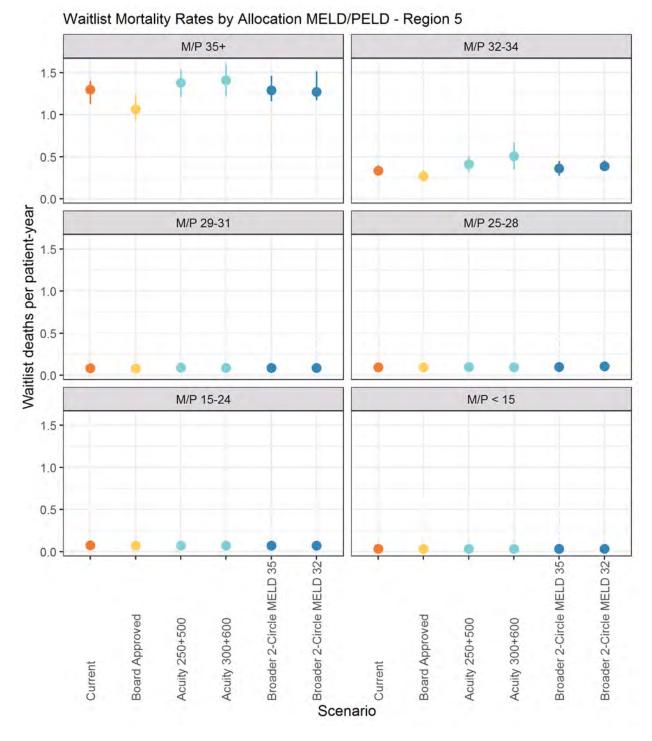


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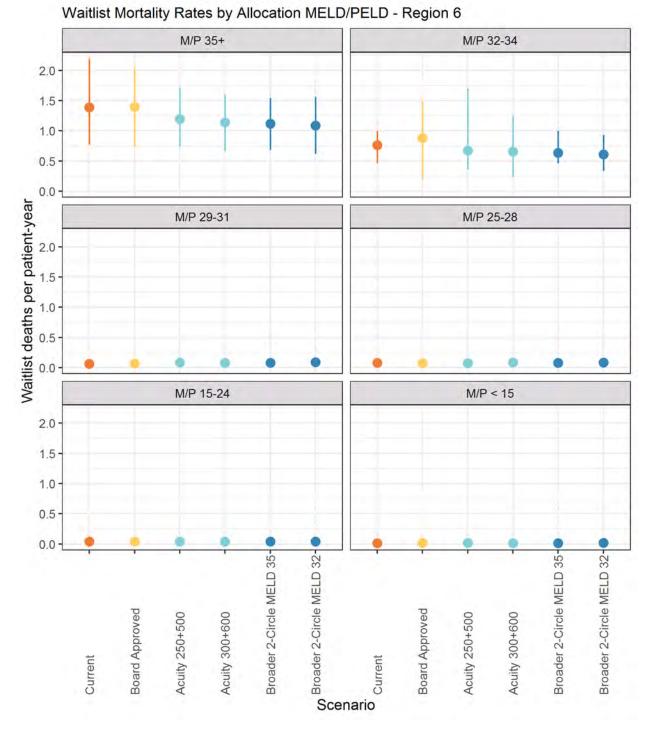


Figure 112 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 6



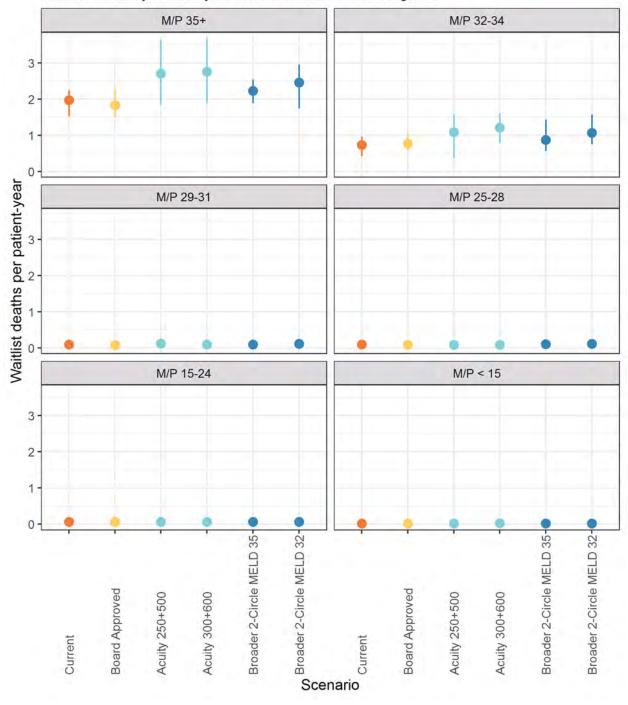


Figure 113 Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 7



Waitlist Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 8 M/P 35+ M/P 32-34 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 Waitlist deaths per patient-year M/P 25-28 M/P 29-31 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 M/P 15-24 M/P < 15 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 0 0.0 Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Board Approved Board Approved Acuity 250+500 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600 Acuity 300+600 Current Current Scenario

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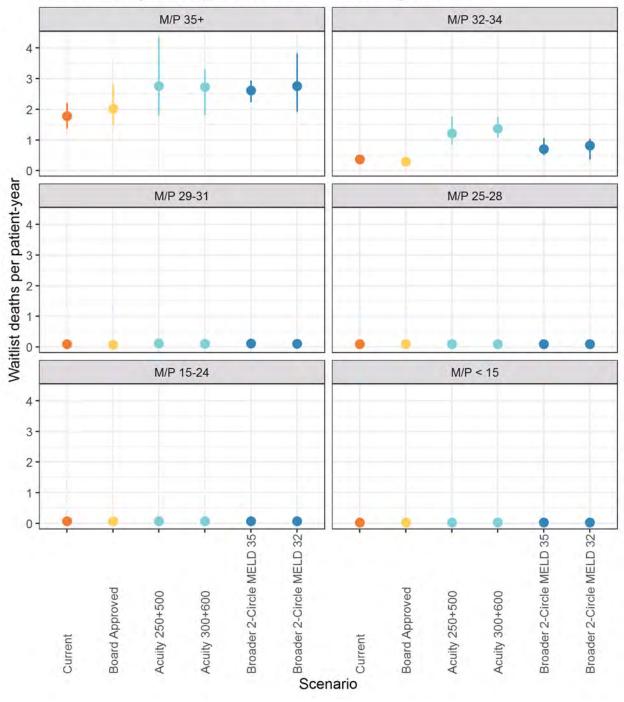


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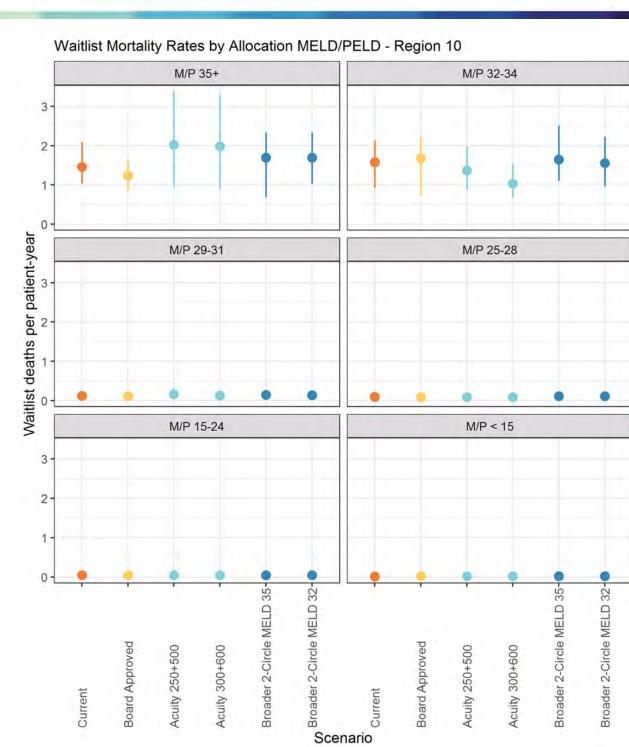


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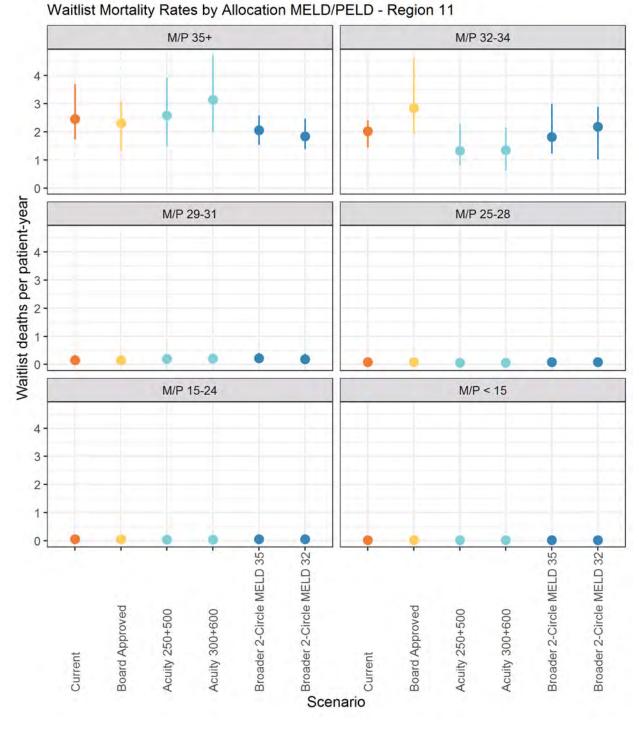


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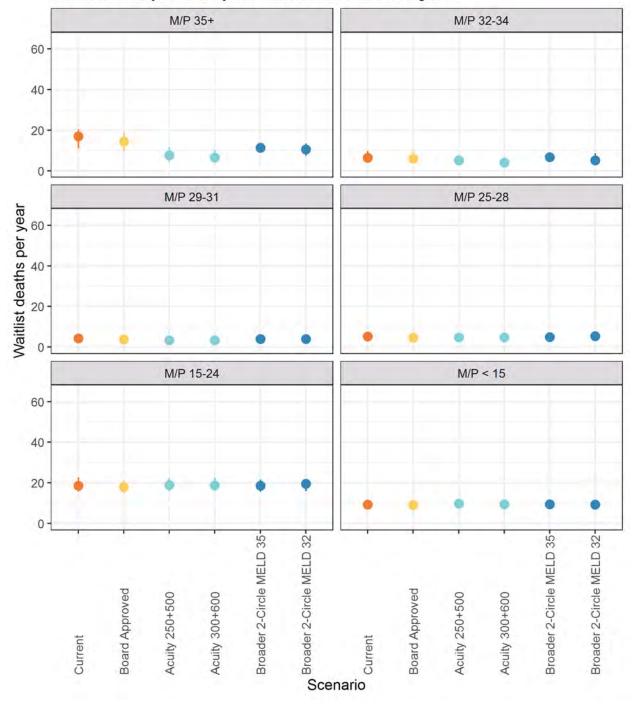


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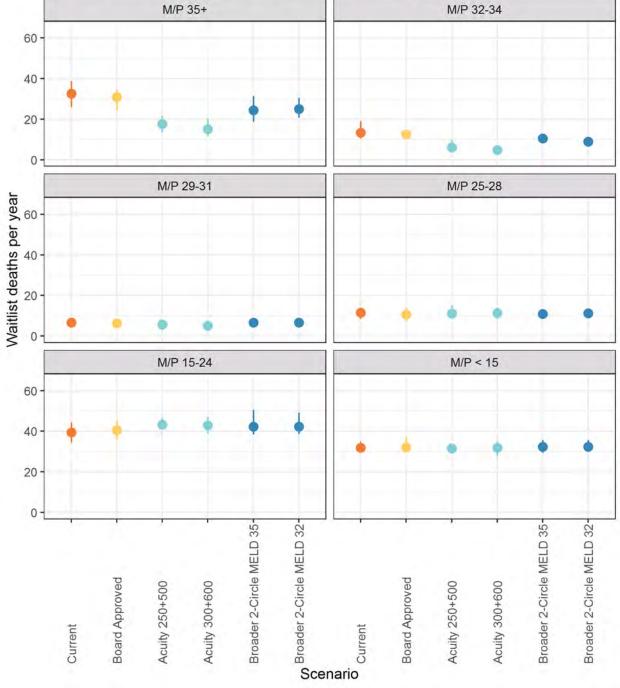


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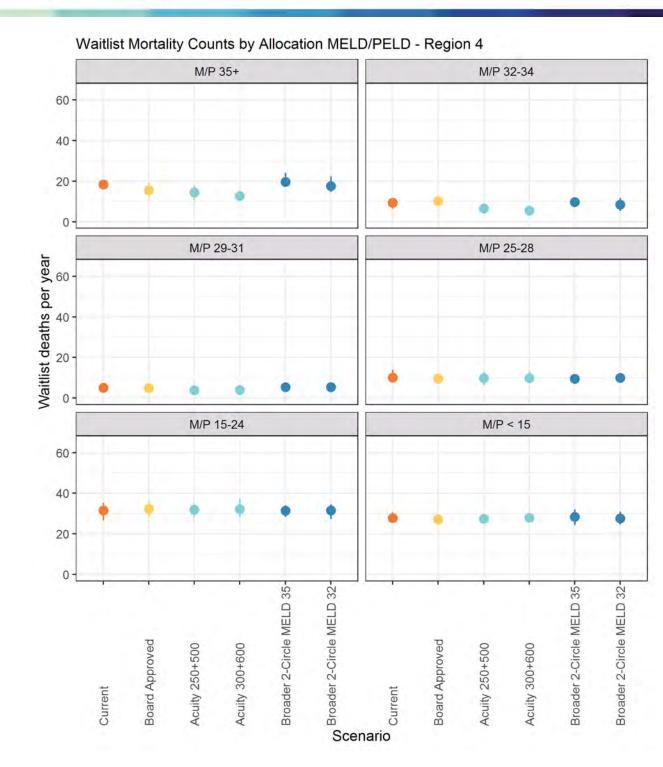


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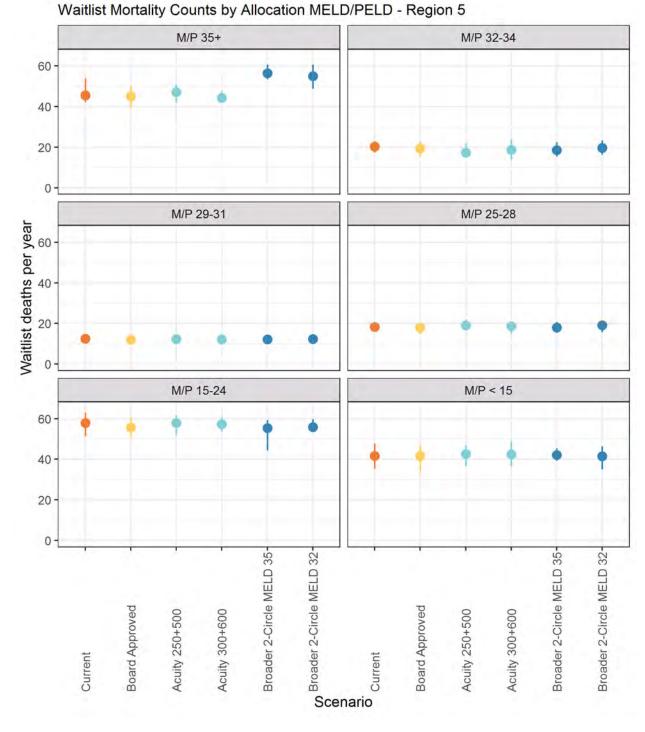


Figure 122 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 5



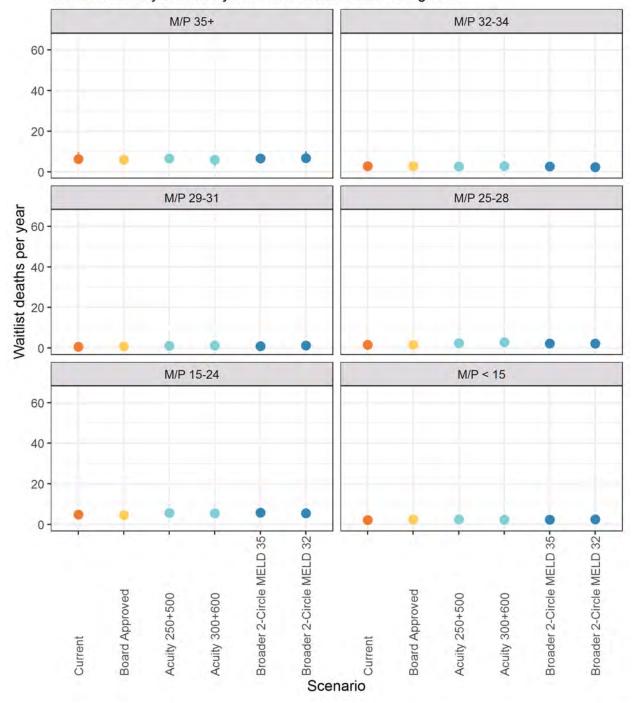


Figure 123 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 6



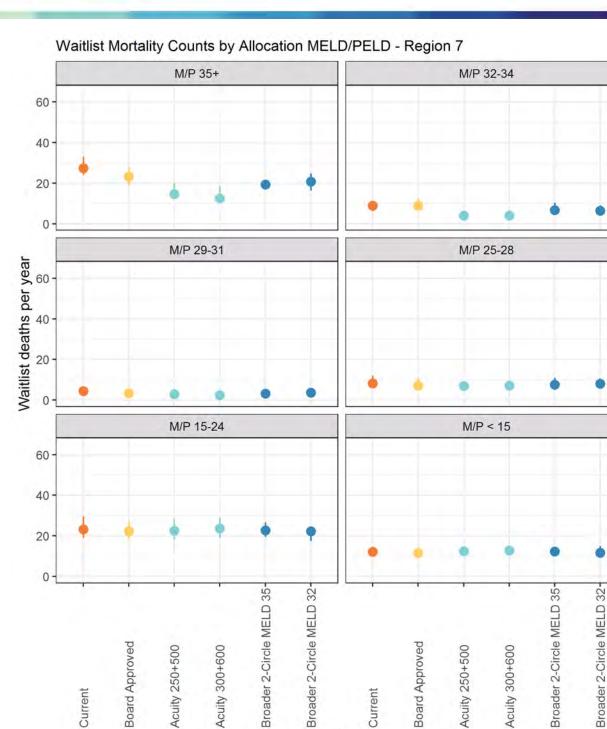


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Current

Current

Scenario



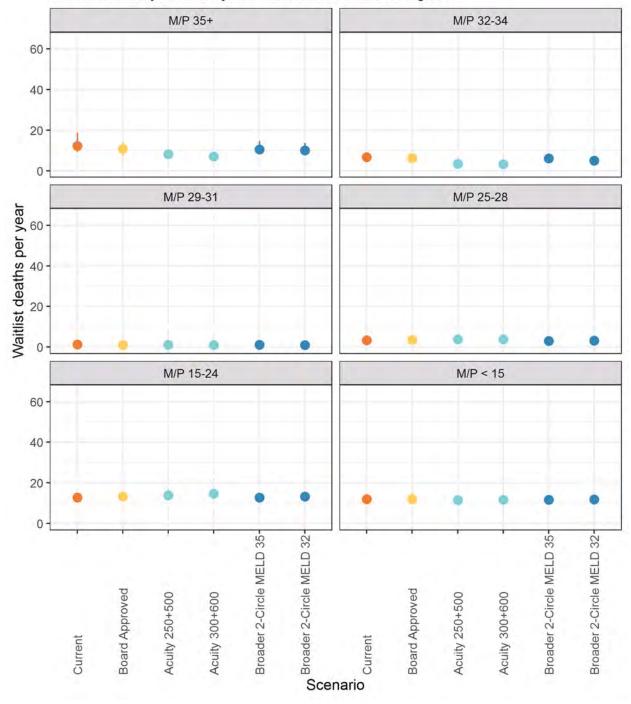


Figure 125 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 8



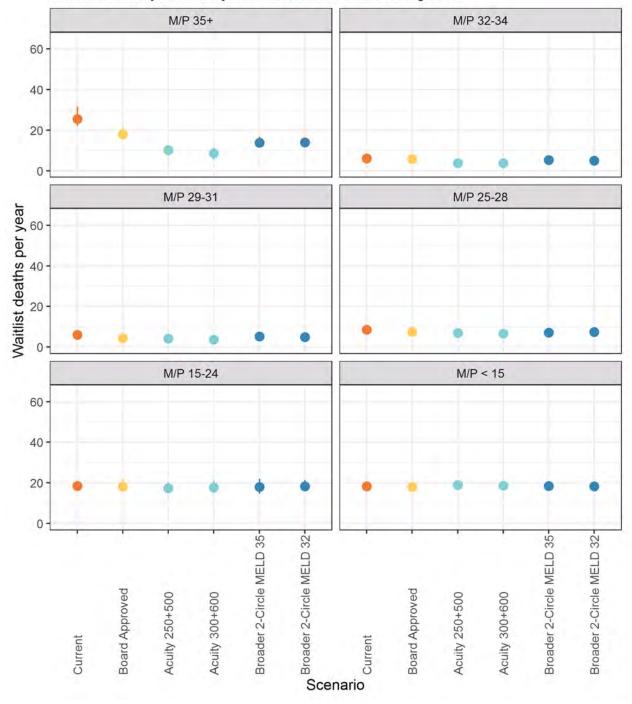


Figure 126 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 9



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Board Approved

Current

Acuity 250+500

Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 10 M/P 35+ M/P 32-34 60 40 20. 0 M/P 29-31 M/P 25-28 Waitlist deaths per year 60 40 20 -0 M/P 15-24 M/P < 15 60 40 20

Figure 127 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 10

Acuity 300+600

Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-

Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-

Board Approved

Current

Scenario

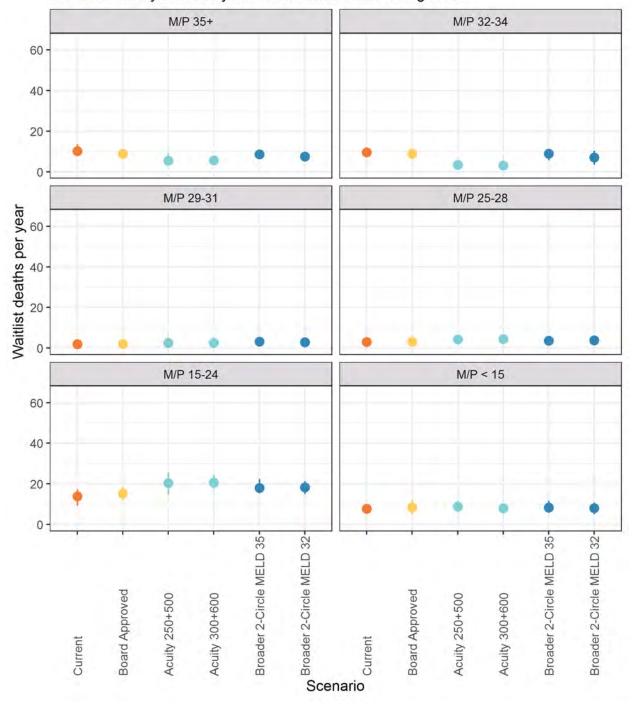
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### Posttransplant Mortality

Current

#### **Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status**

Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 1 Total No Exception 0.125 0.100 Posttransplant deaths per patient-year 0.075 0.050 0.025 HCC Other Exception 0.125 0.100 0.075 0.050 0.025 Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32. Broader 2-Circle MELD 35-Broader 2-Circle MELD 32-Board Approved Board Approved Acuity 300+600 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 250+500 Acuity 300+600

Figure 129 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 1

Current

Scenario



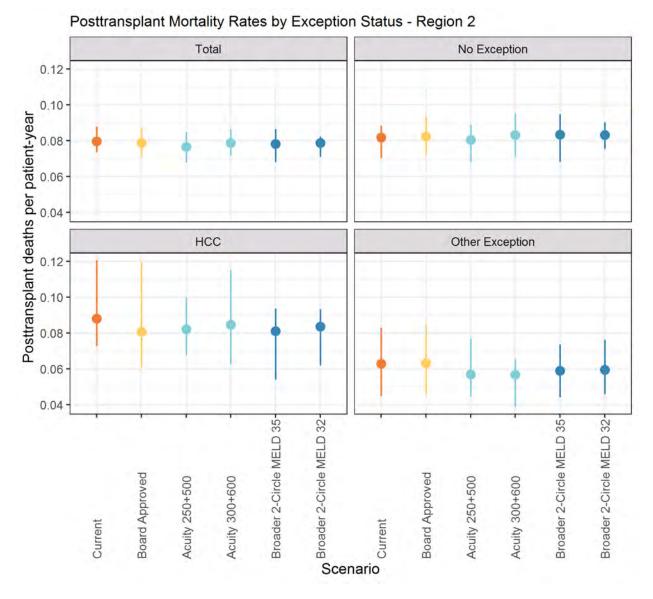


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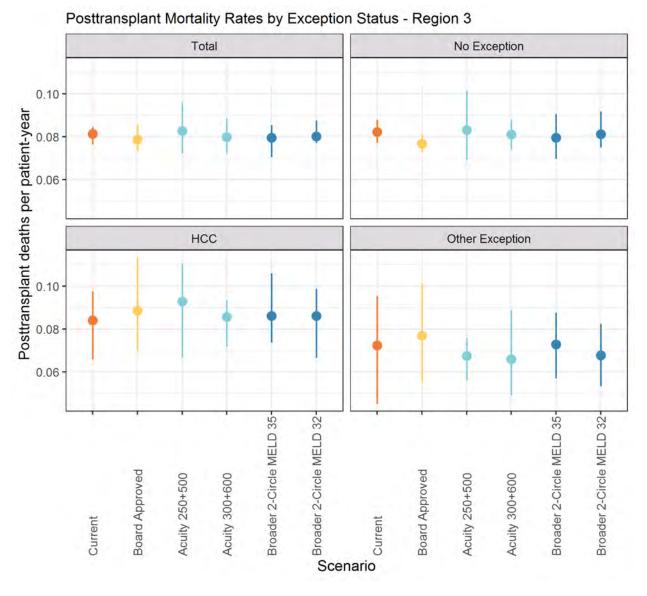


Figure 131 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 3



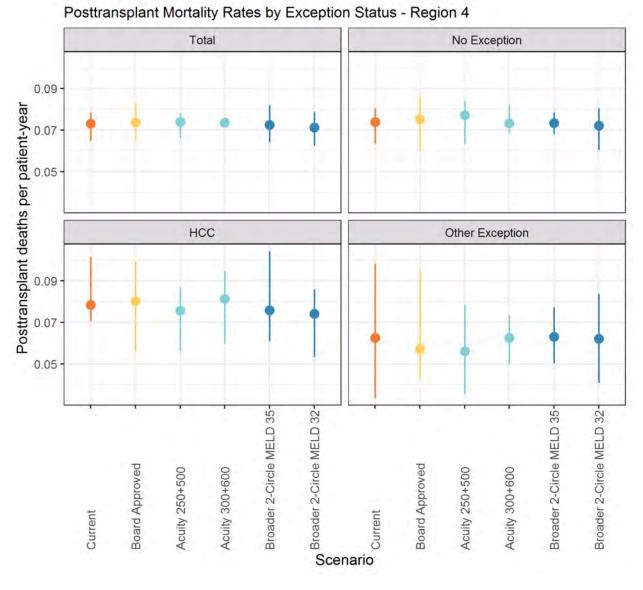


Figure 132 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 4



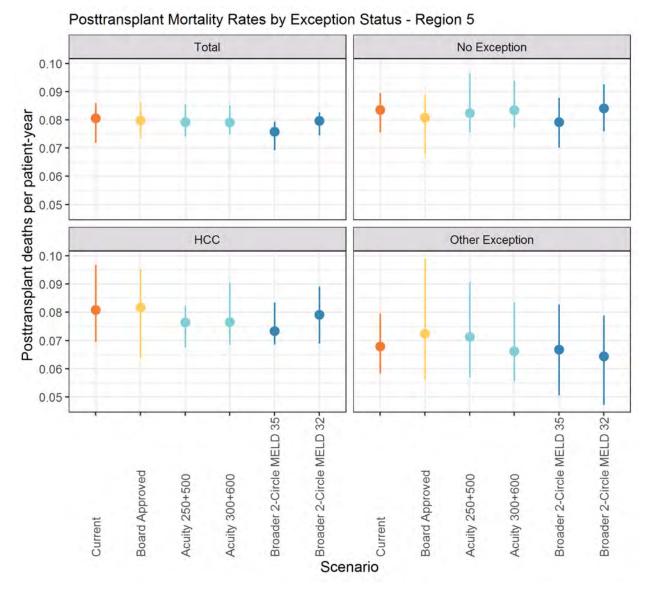


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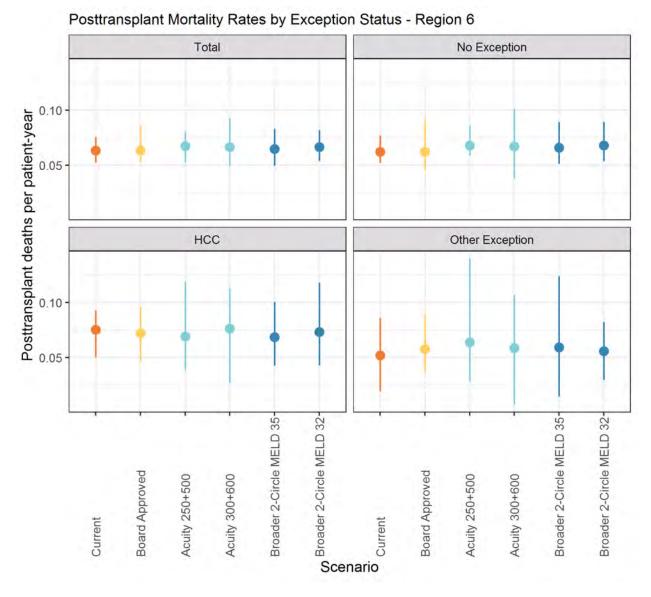


Figure 134 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 6



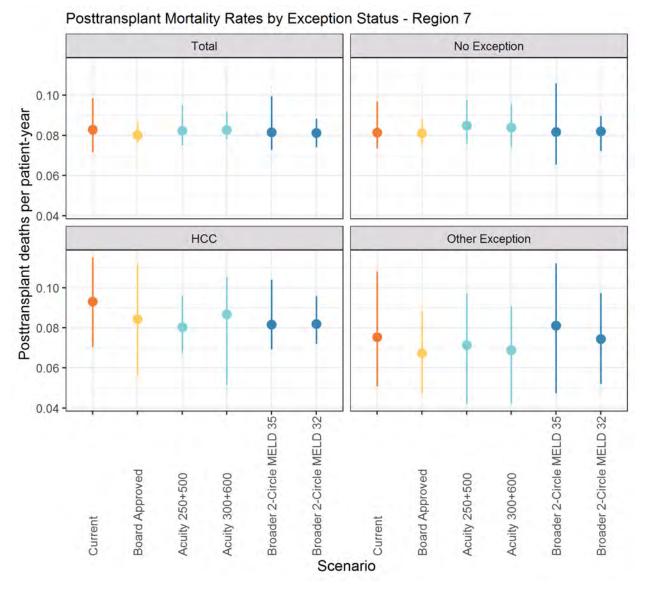


Figure 135 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 7



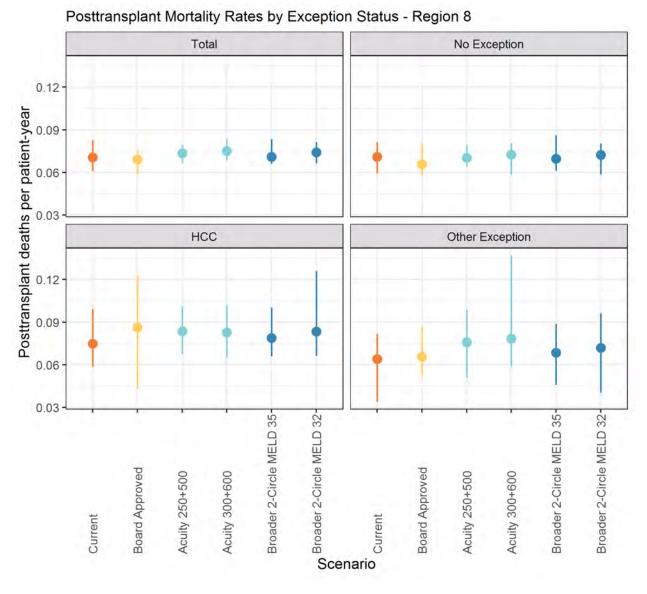


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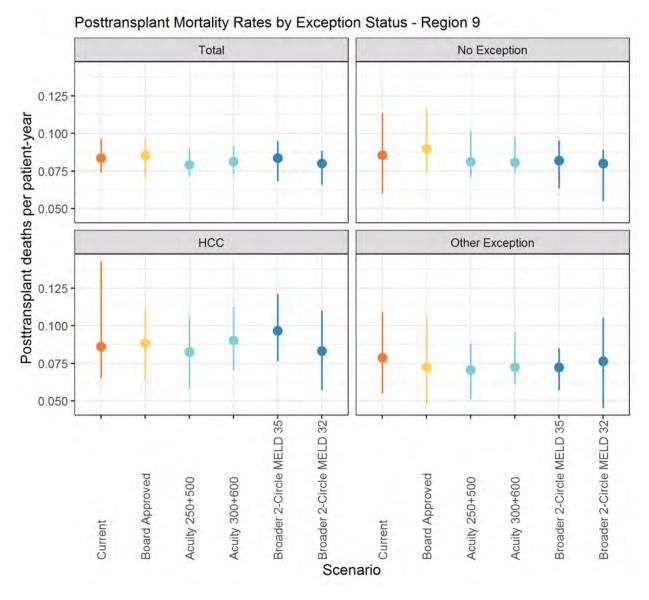


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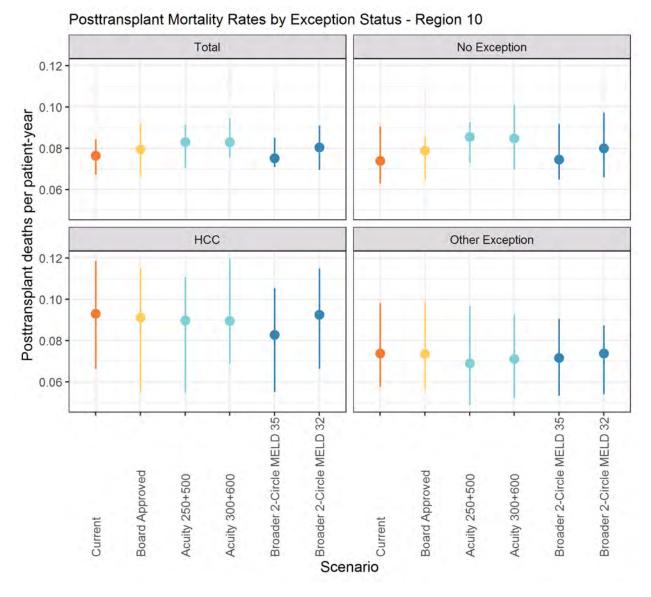


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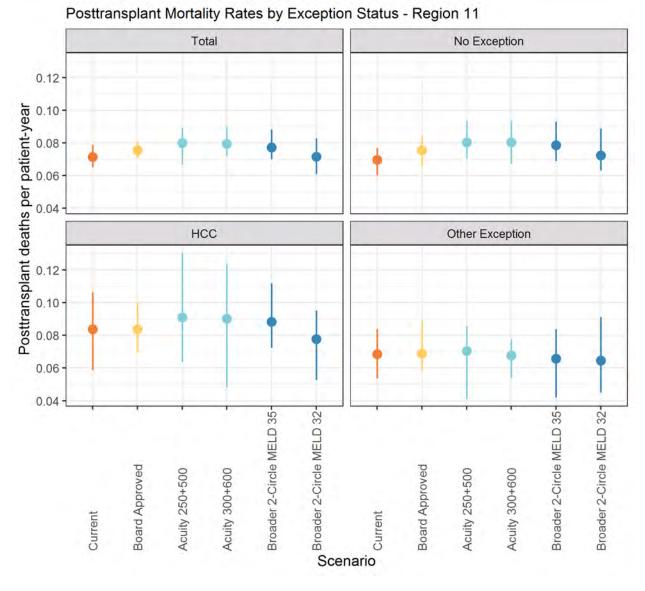


Figure 139 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Exception Status - Region 11

## Posttransplant Mortality Counts by Exception Status

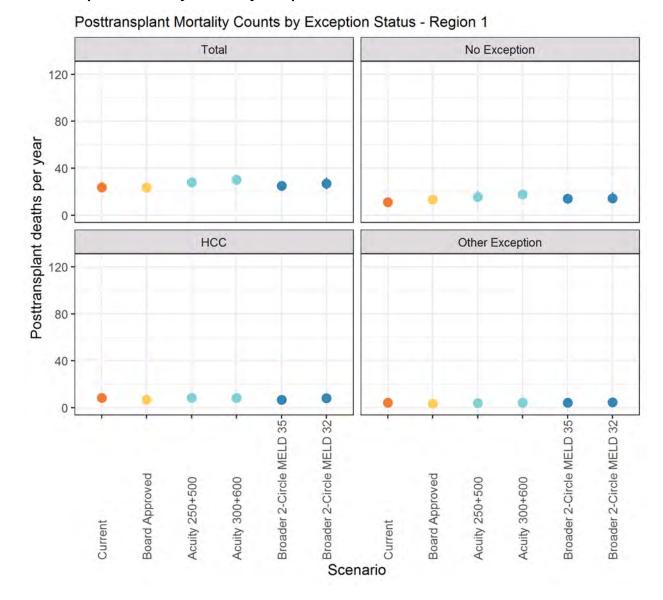


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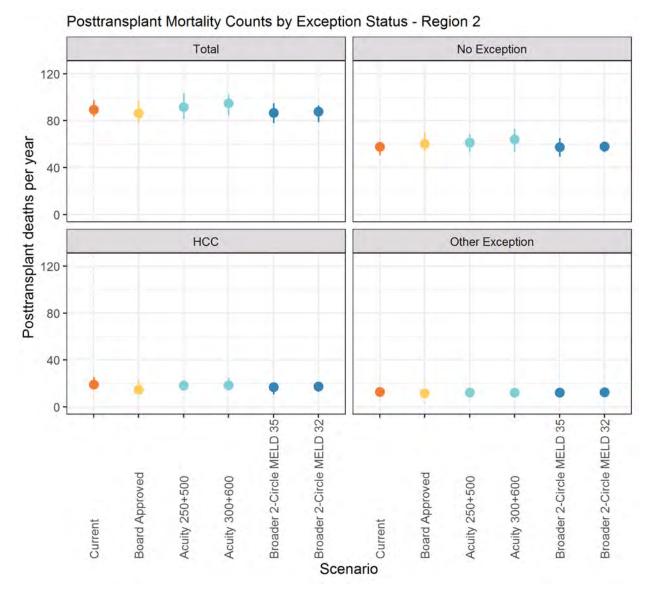


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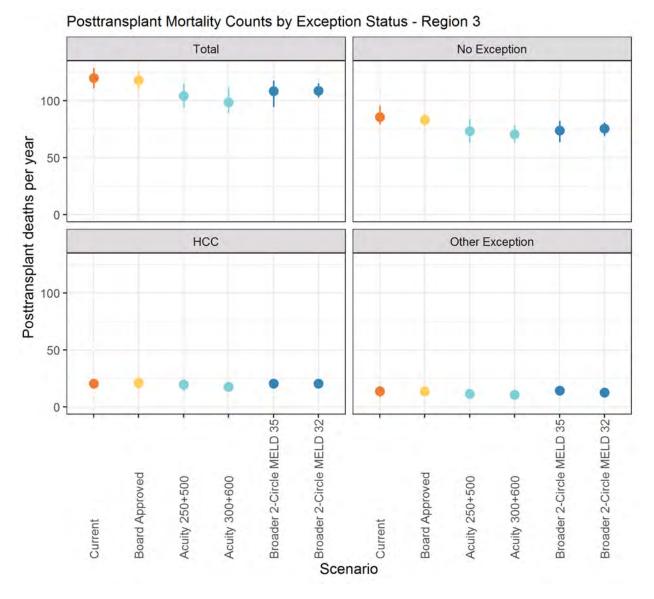


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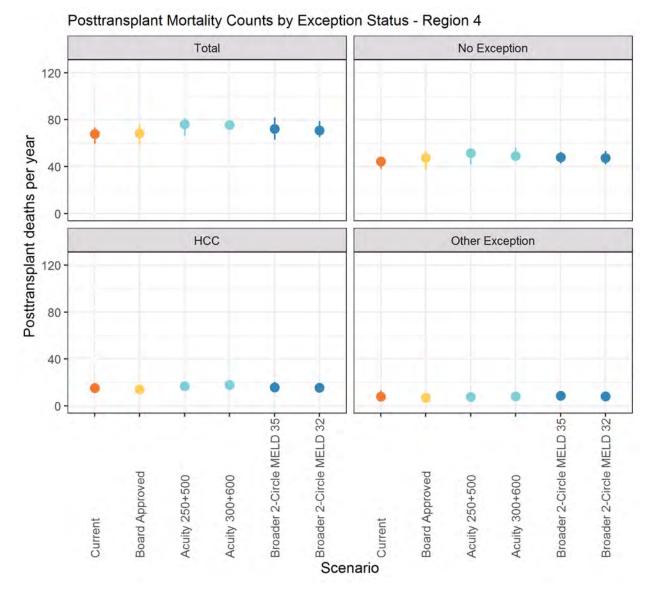


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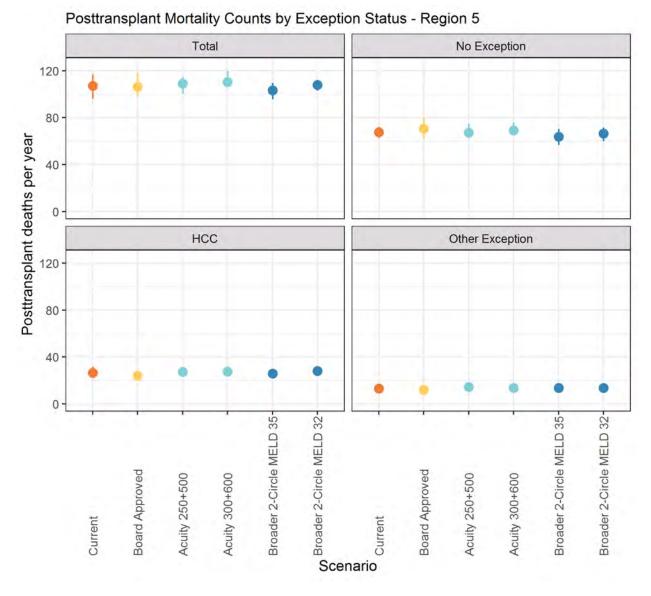


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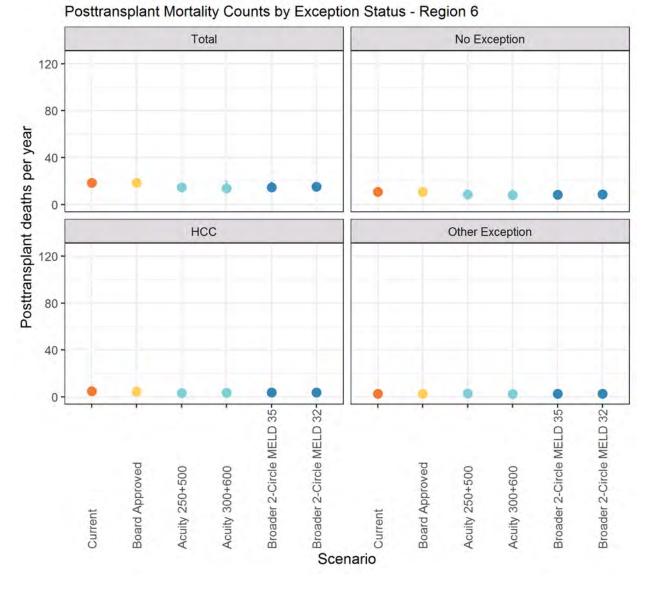


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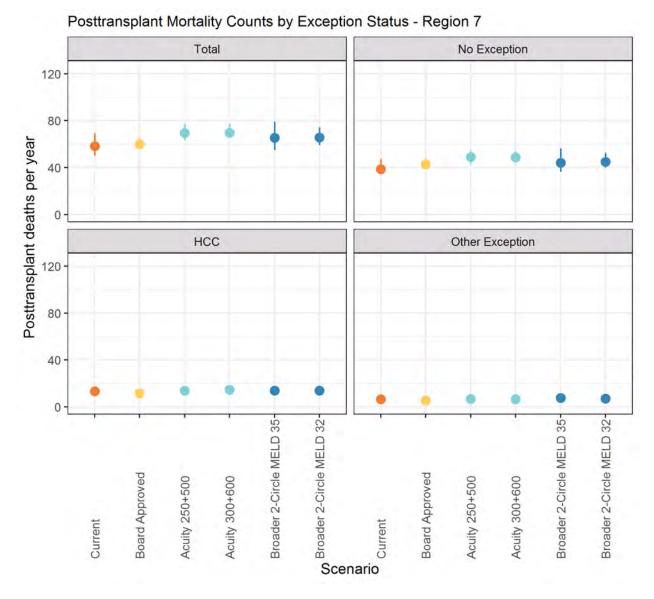


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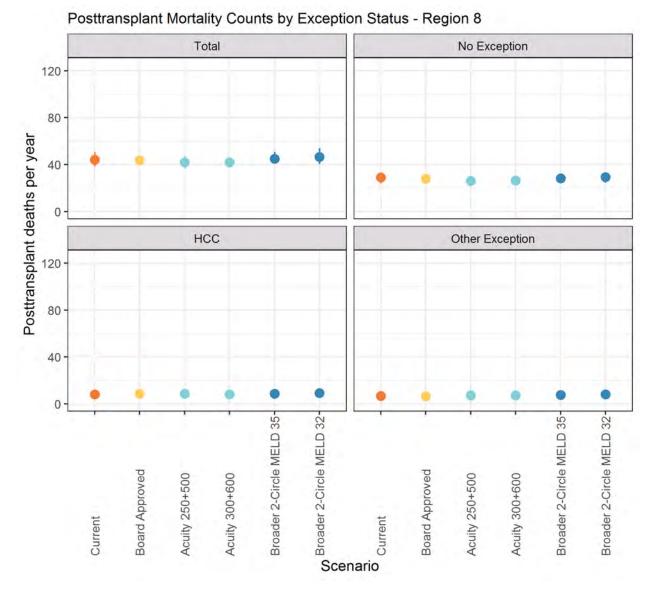


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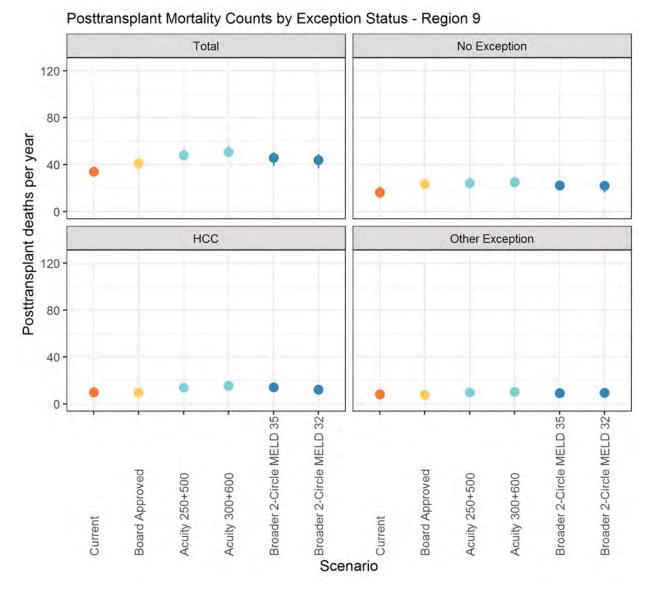


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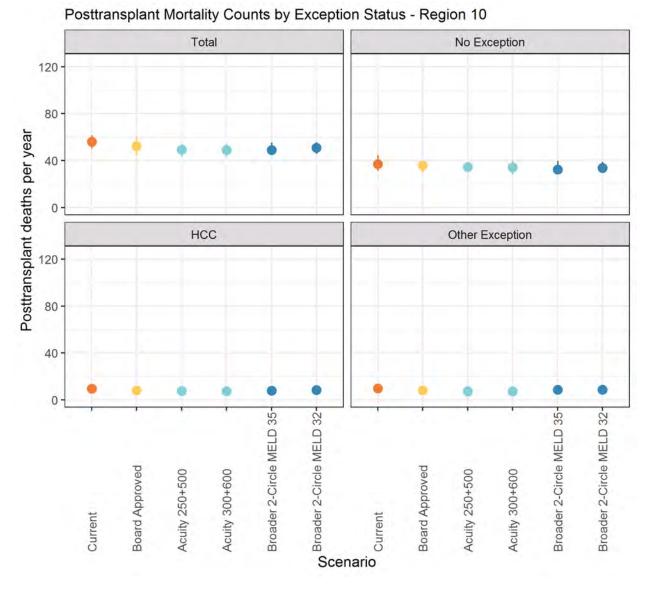


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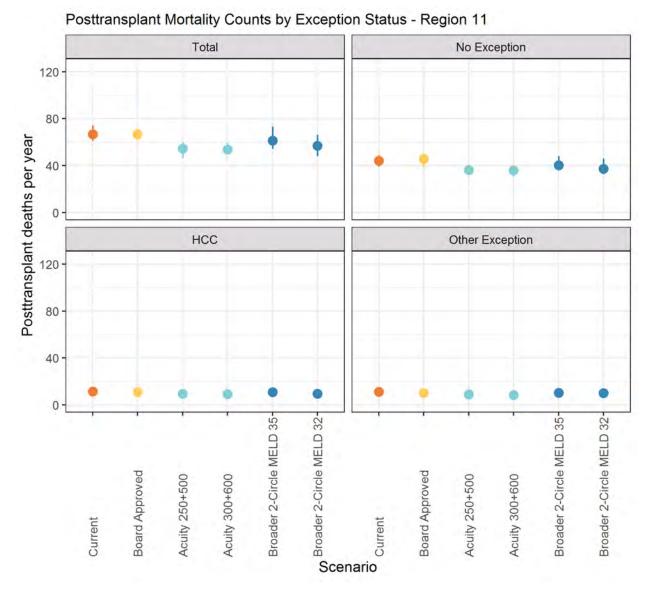


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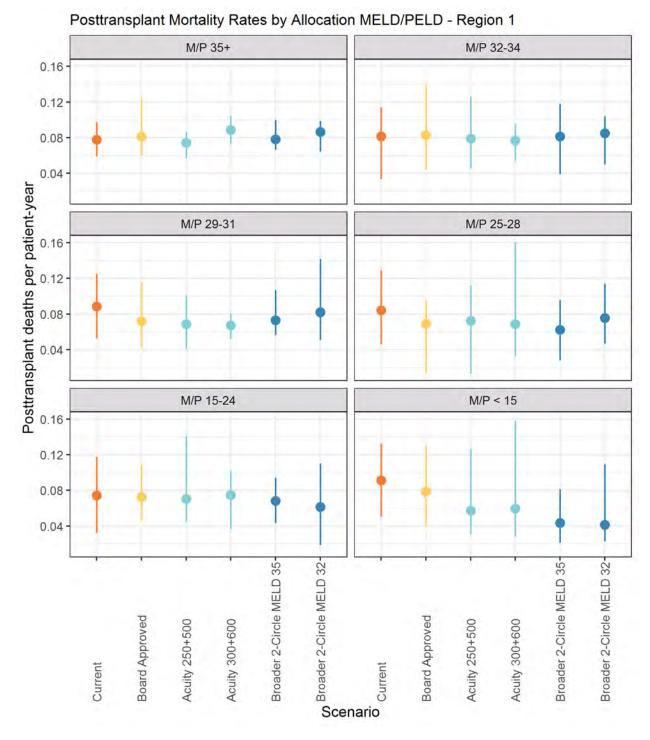


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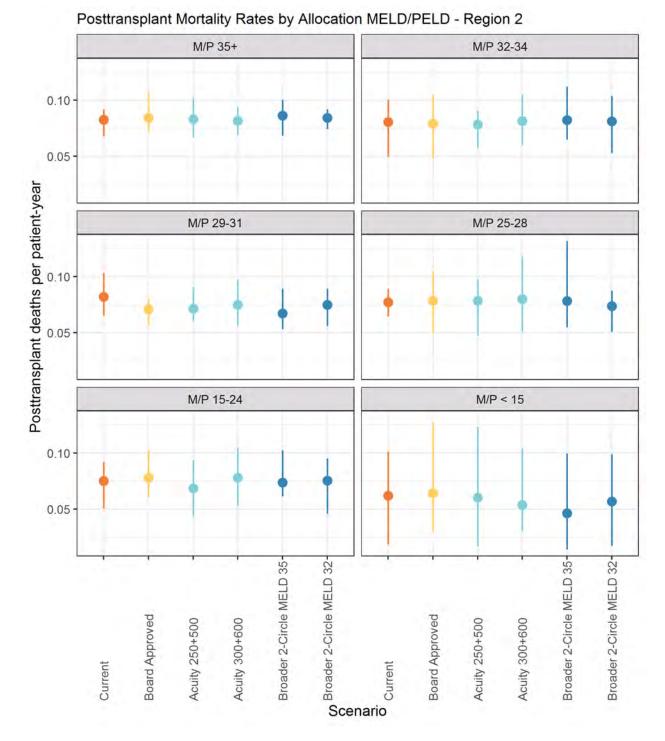


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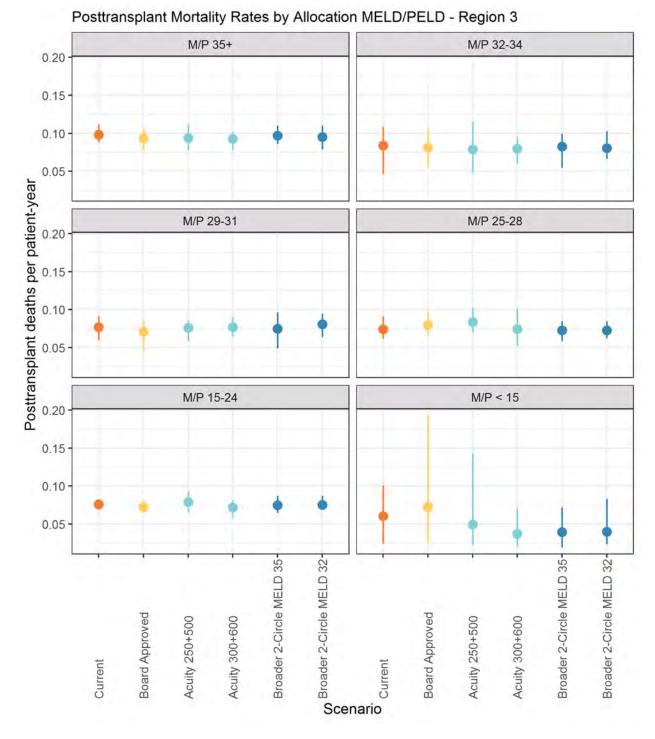


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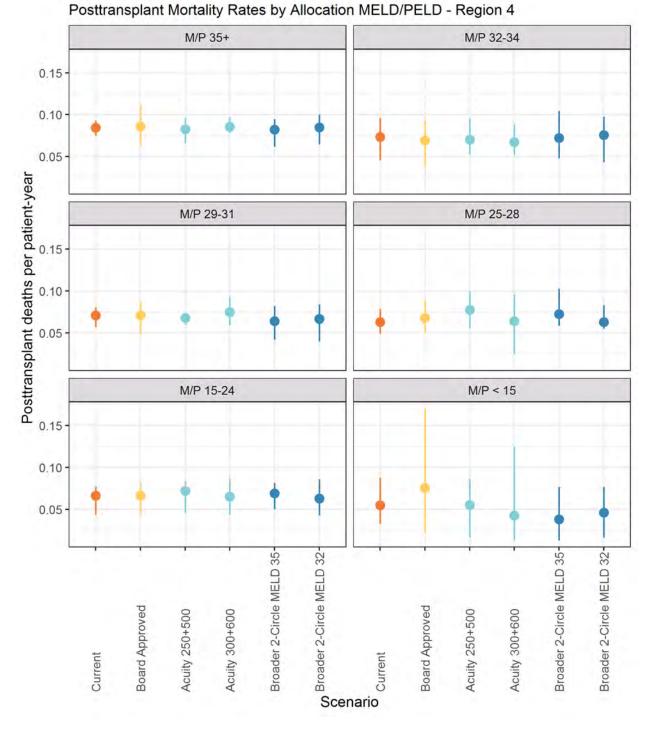


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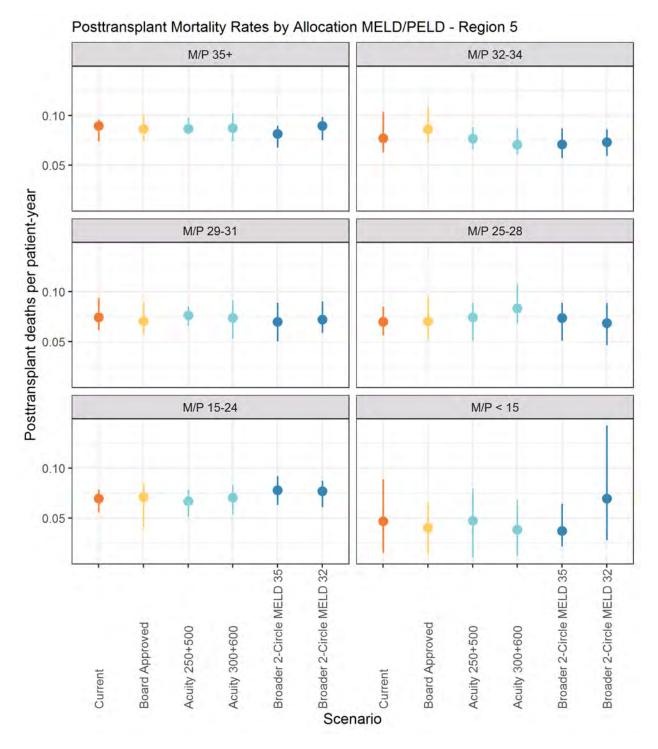


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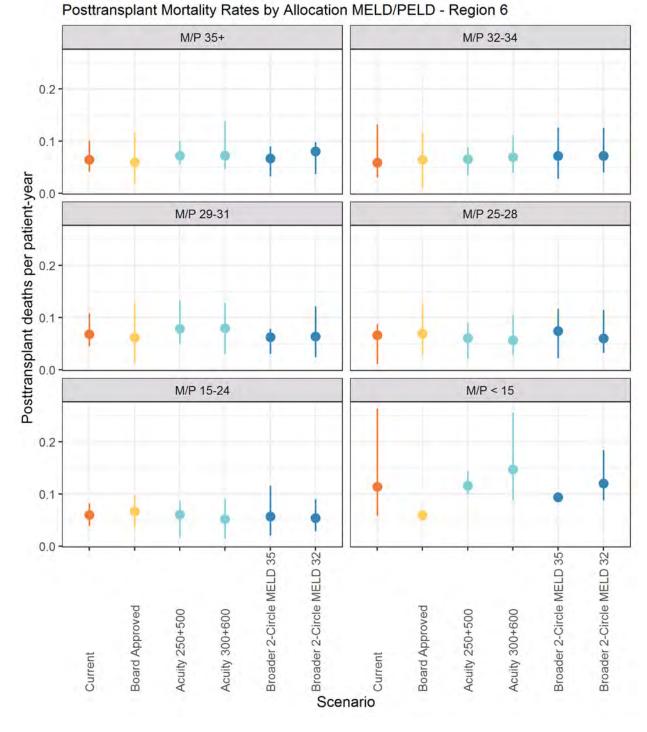


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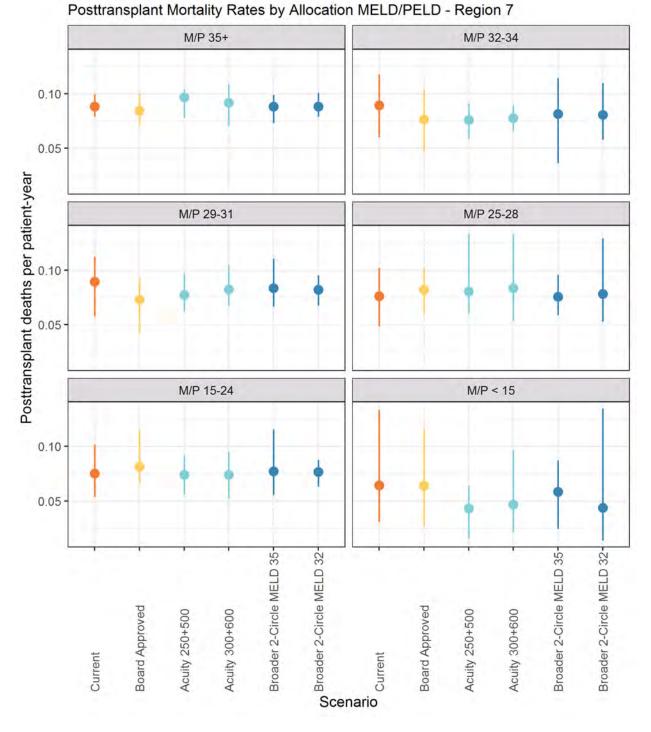


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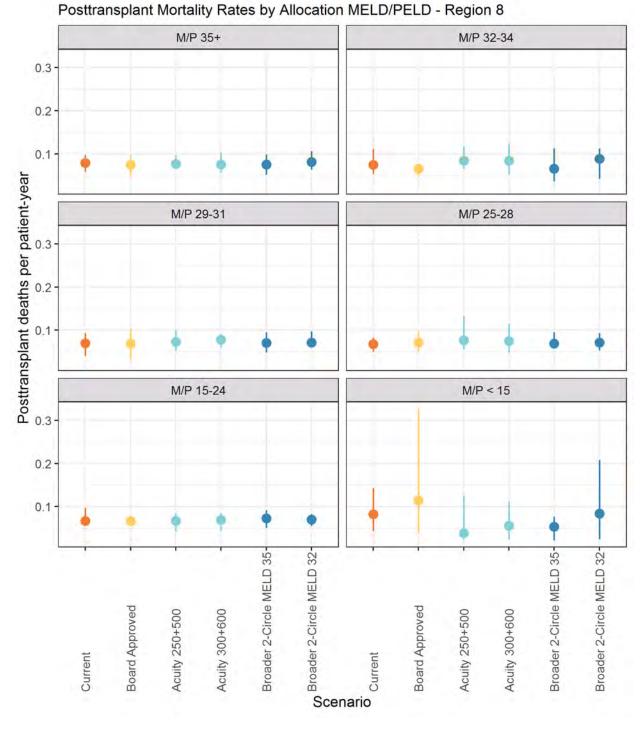
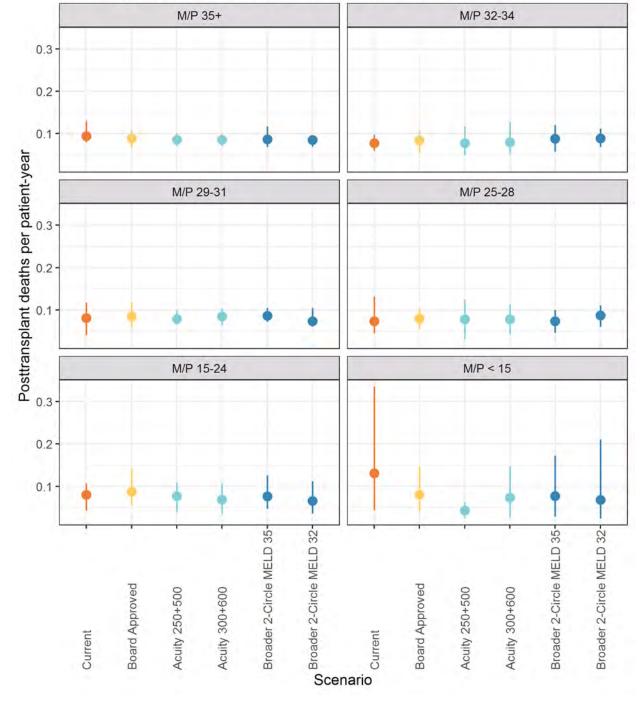


Figure 158 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 8





Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 9

Figure 159 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Allocation MELD/PELD - Region 9



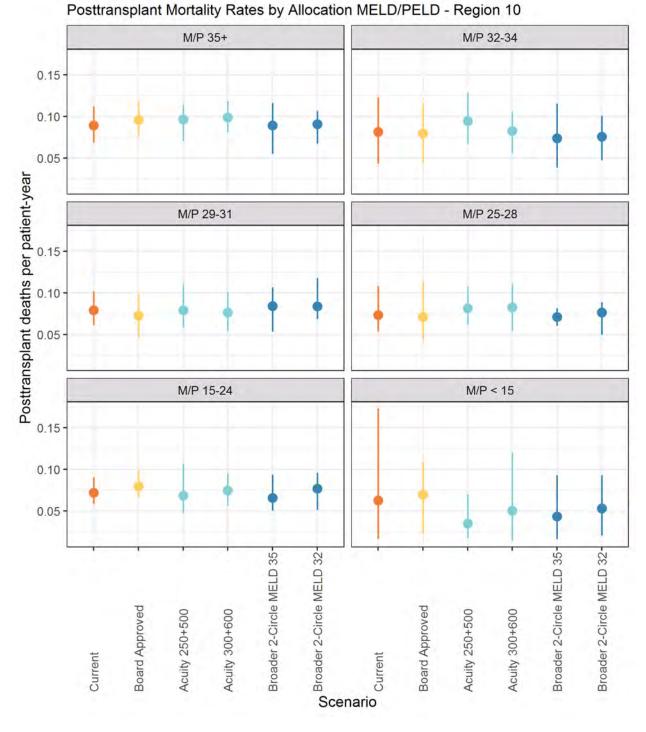


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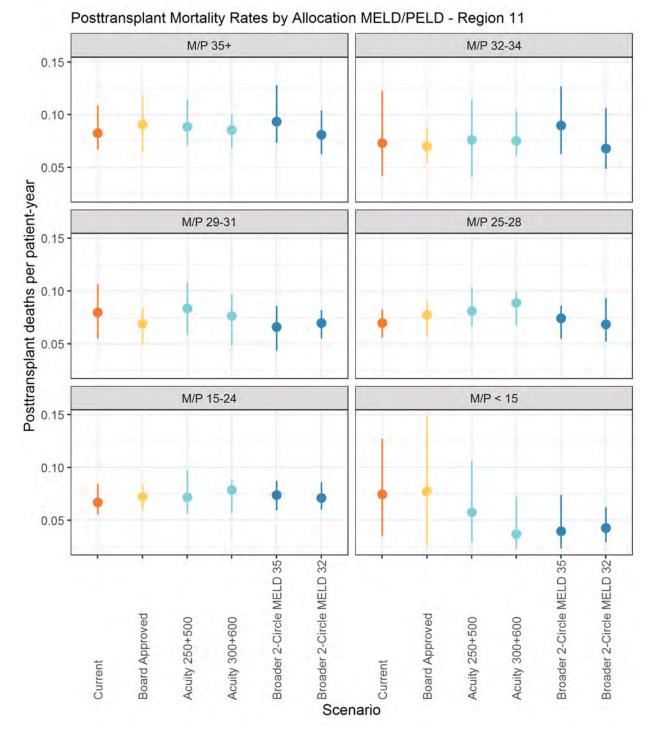
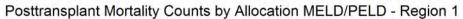


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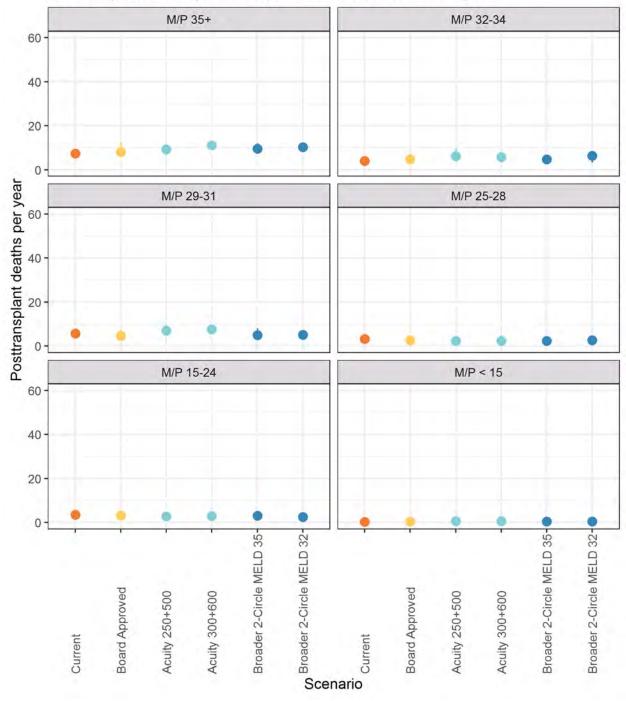


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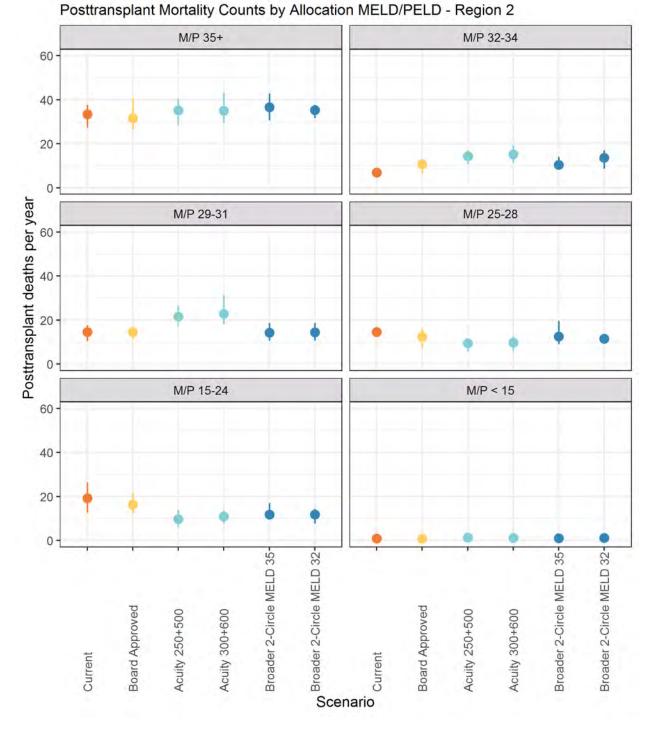


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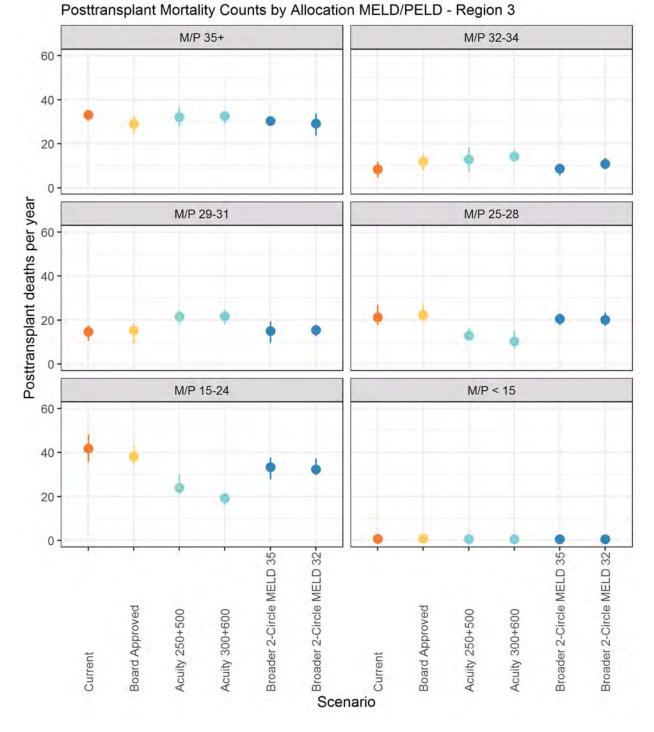


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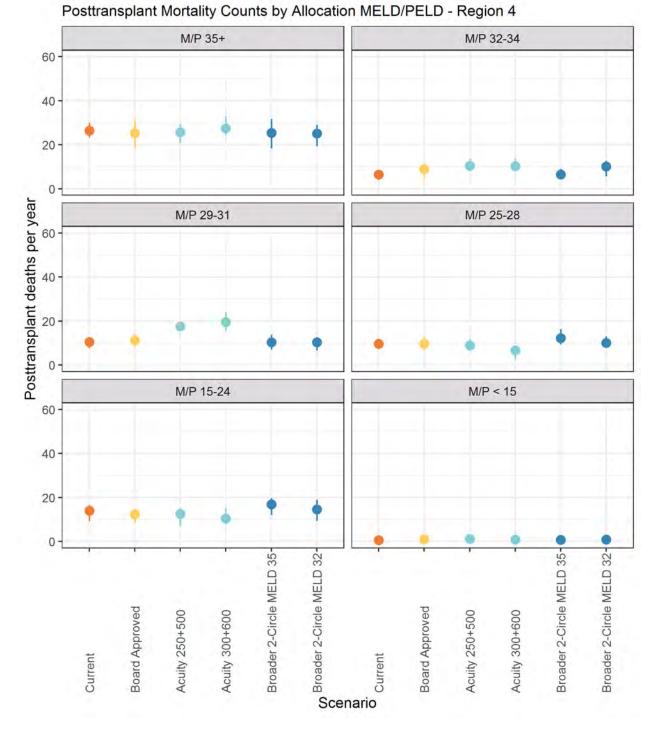


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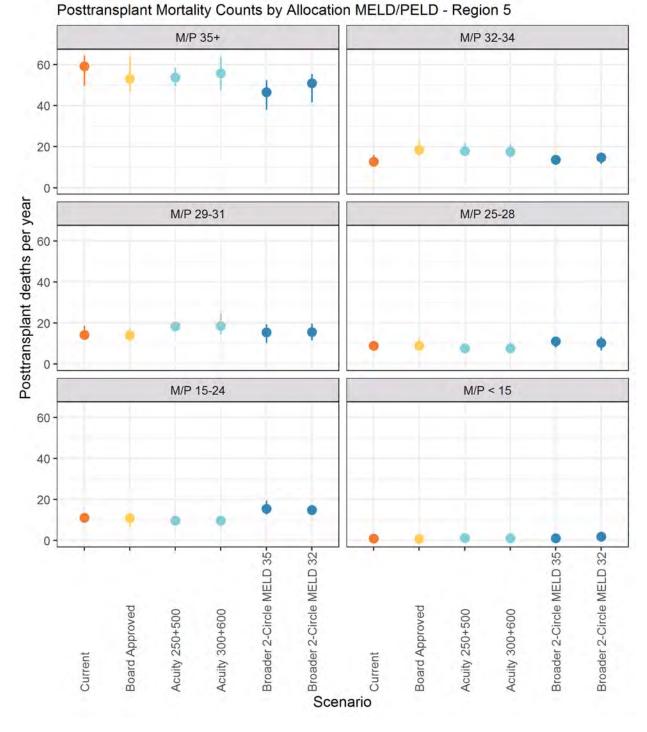


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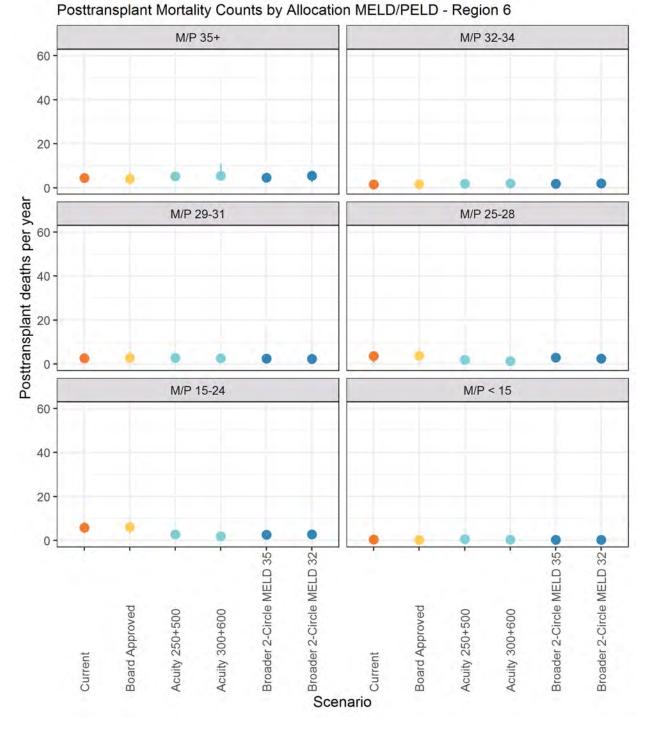


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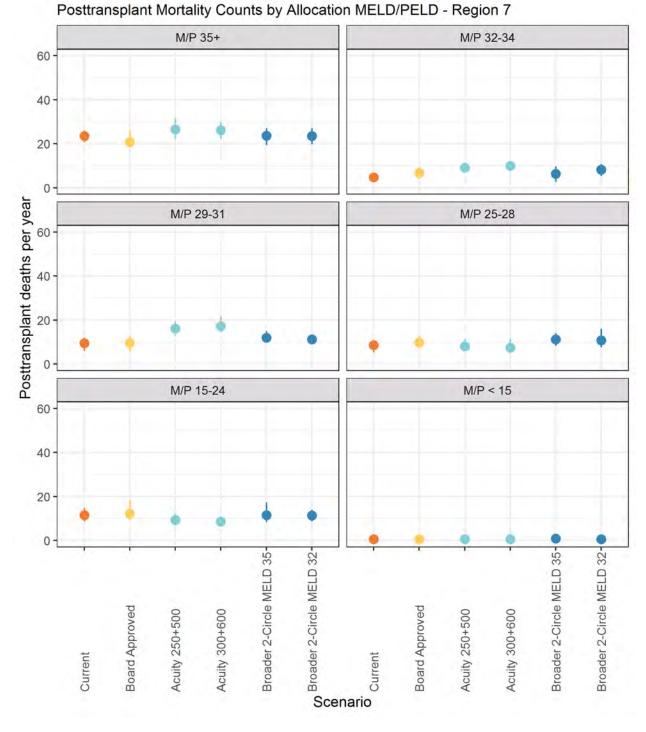


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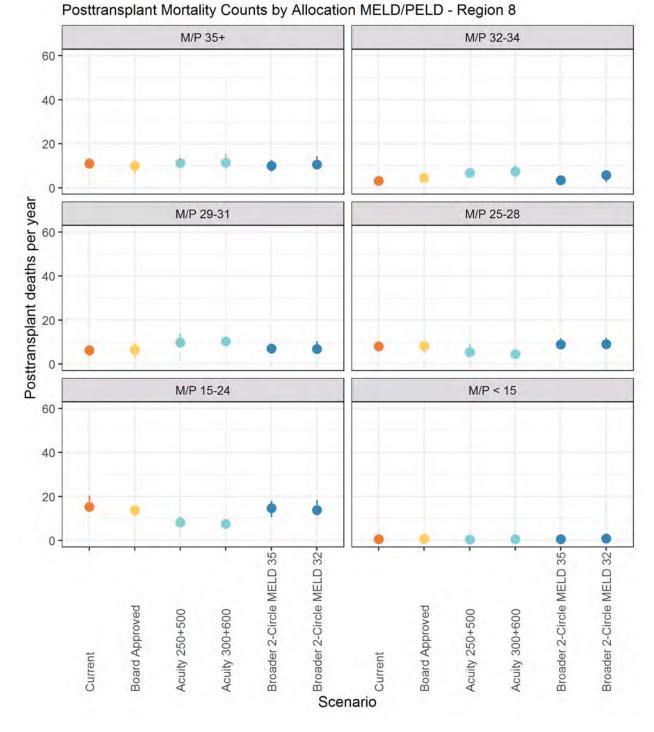


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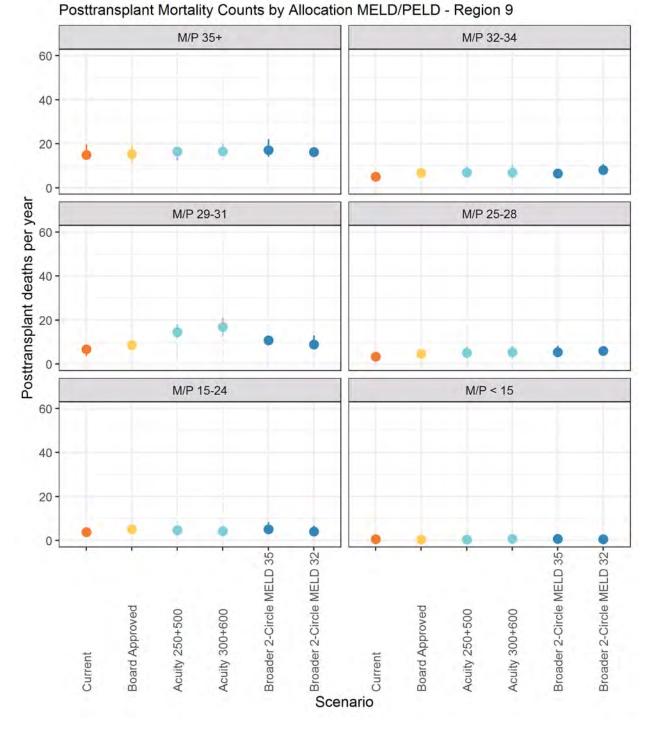


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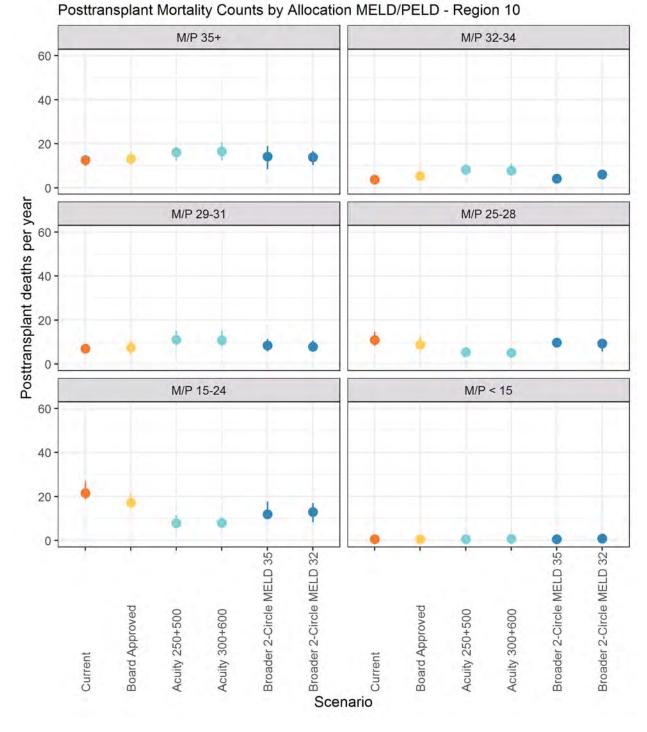


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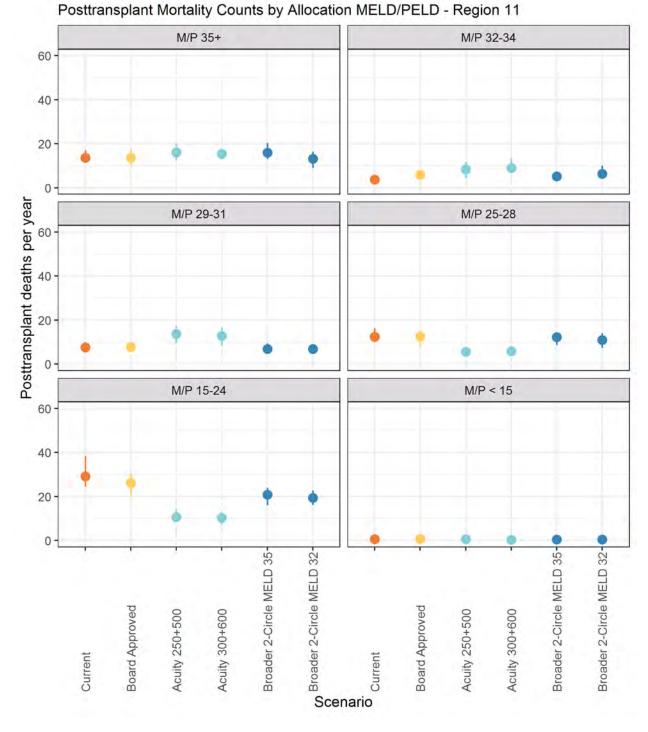


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## Transport

## **Median Transport Time by Exception Status**

Median Transport Time by Exception Status - Transplants in Region 1

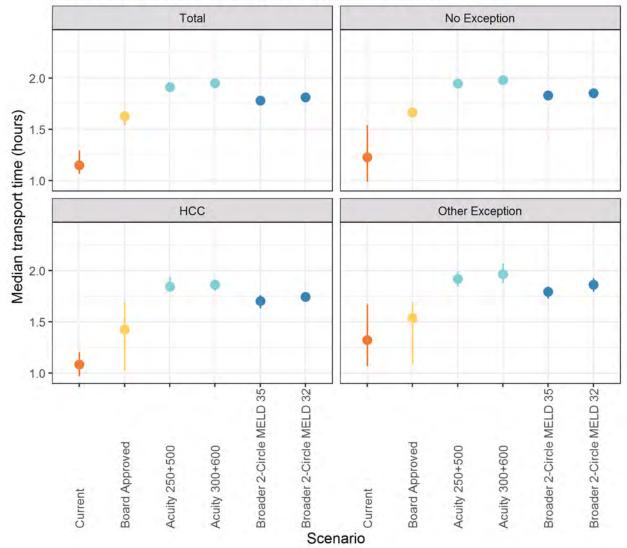


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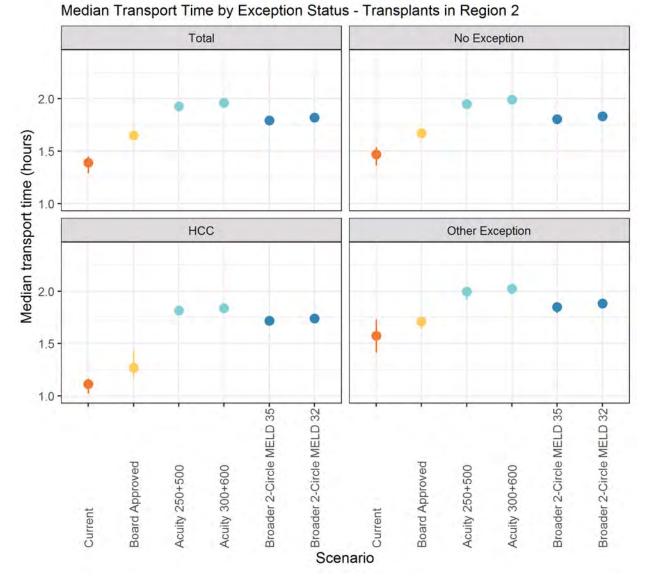


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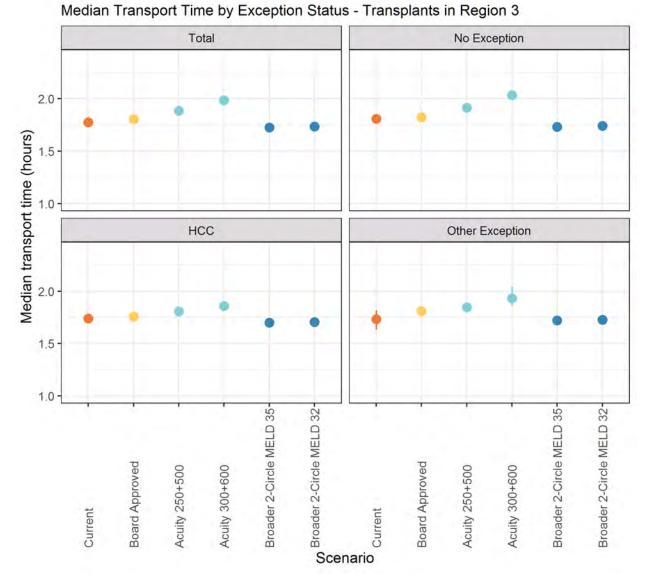


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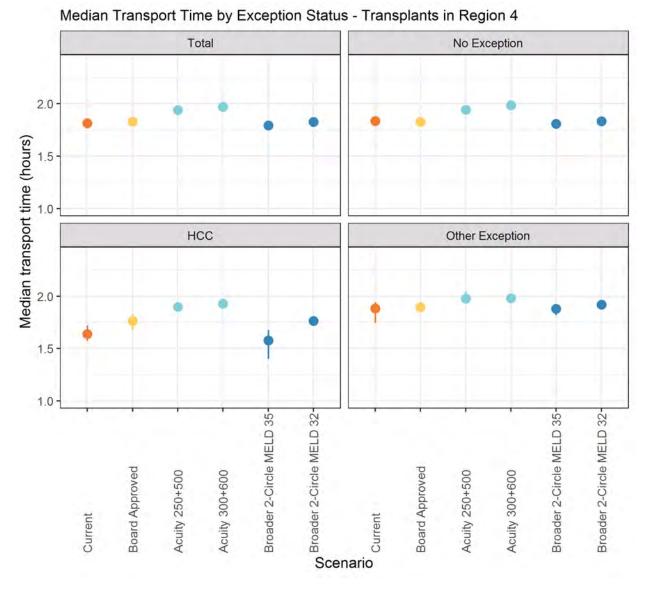


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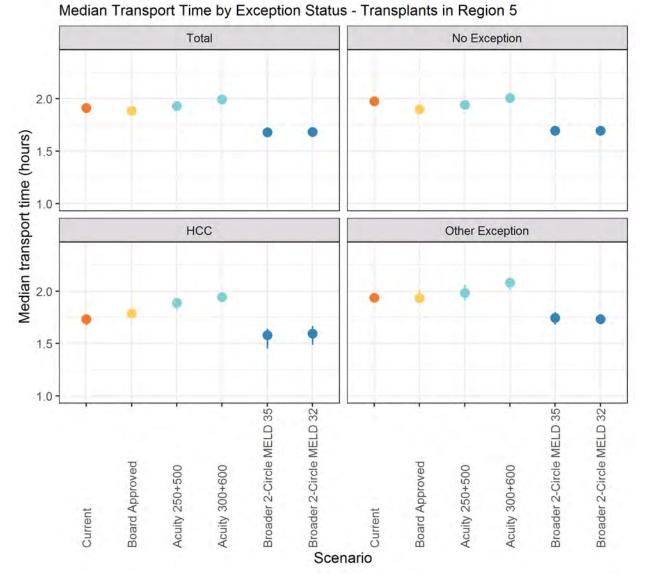


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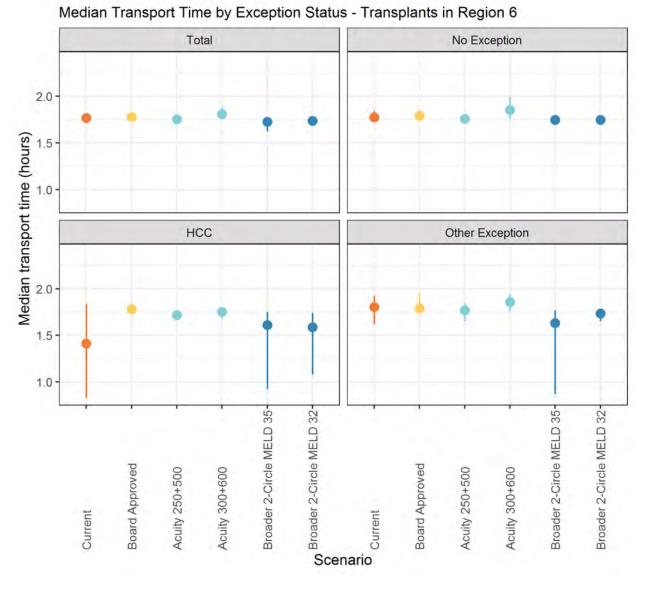


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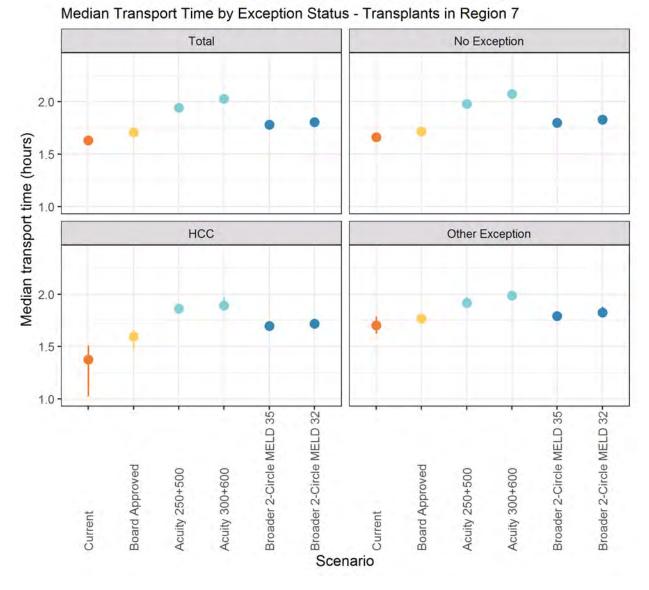


Figure 179 Median Transport Time by Exception Status - Transplants in Region 7



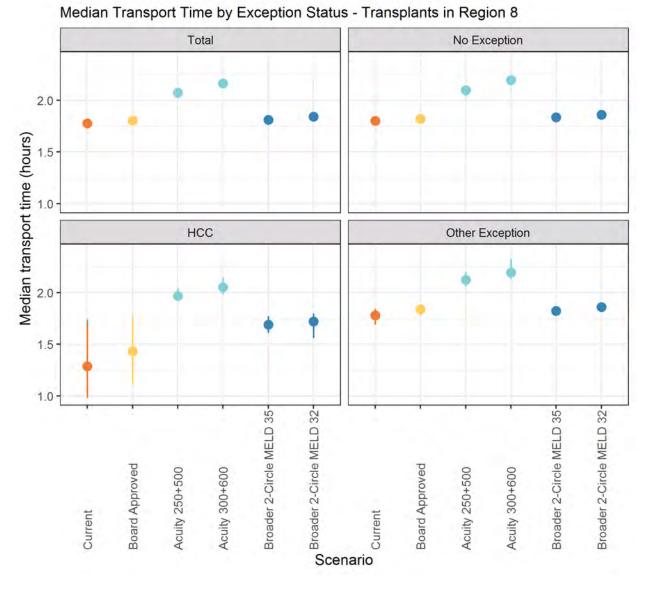


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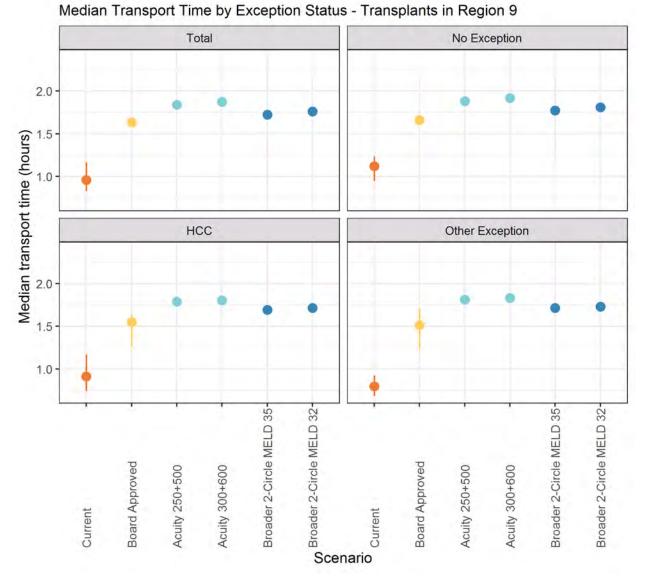


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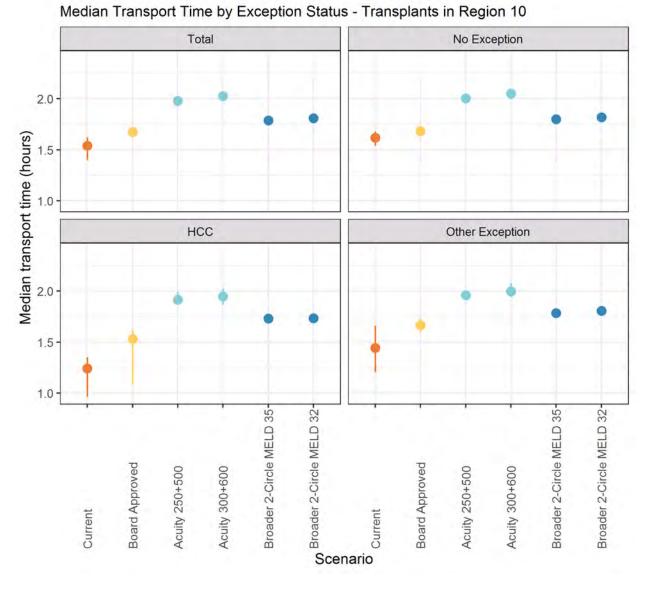


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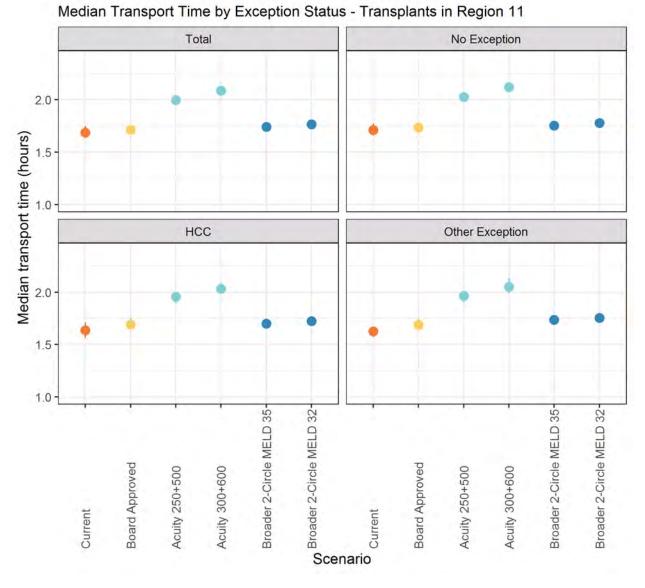


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## Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD

## Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 1

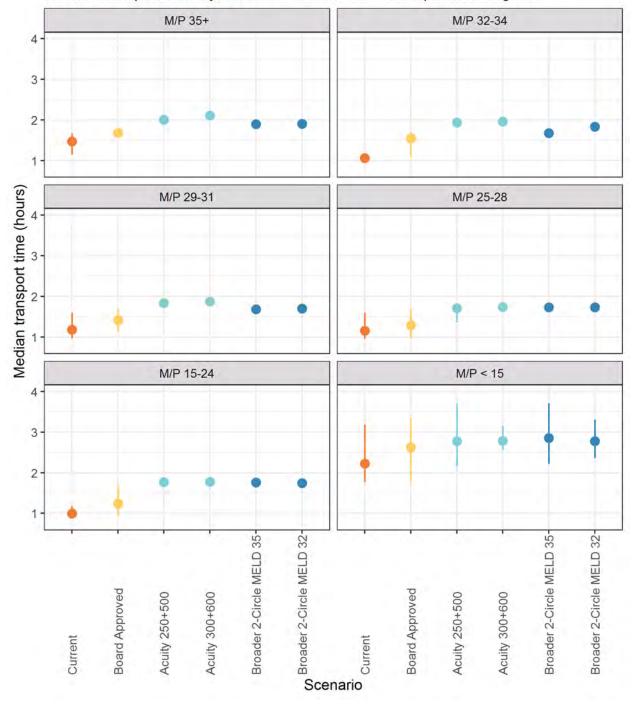
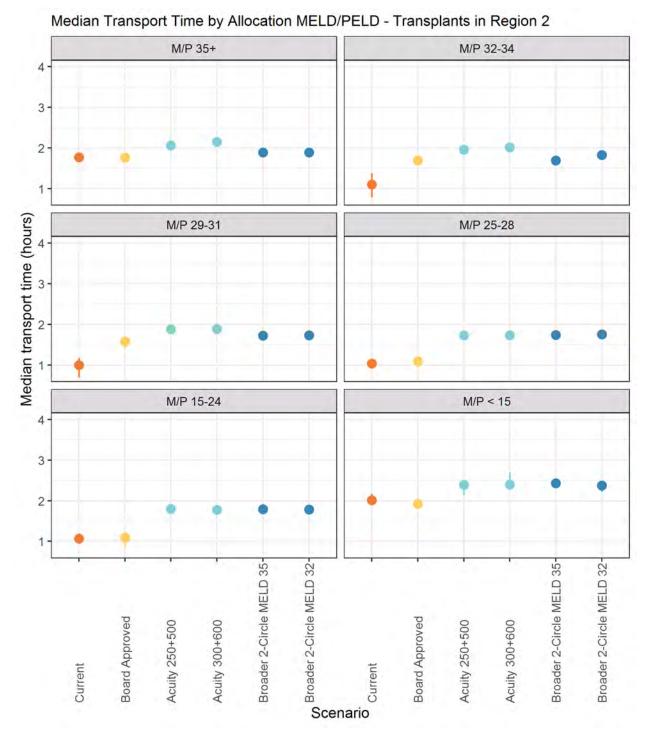


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*Figure 185 Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 2* 

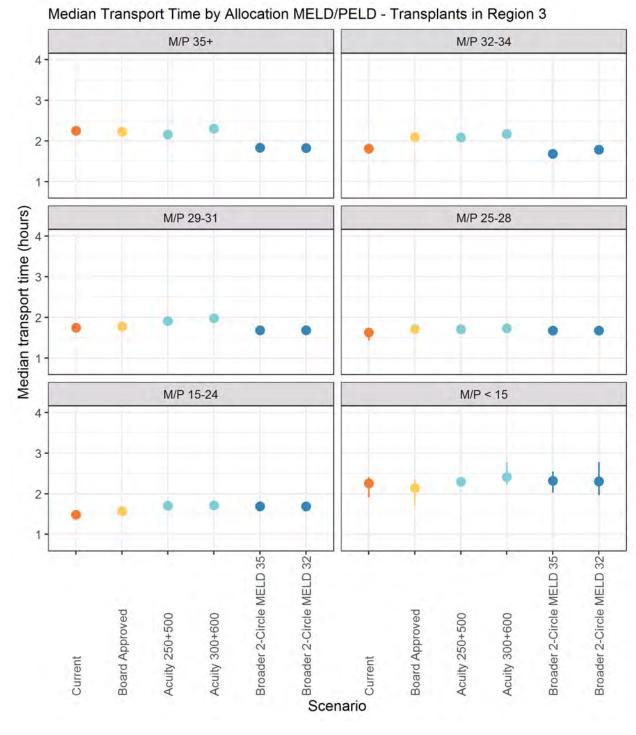


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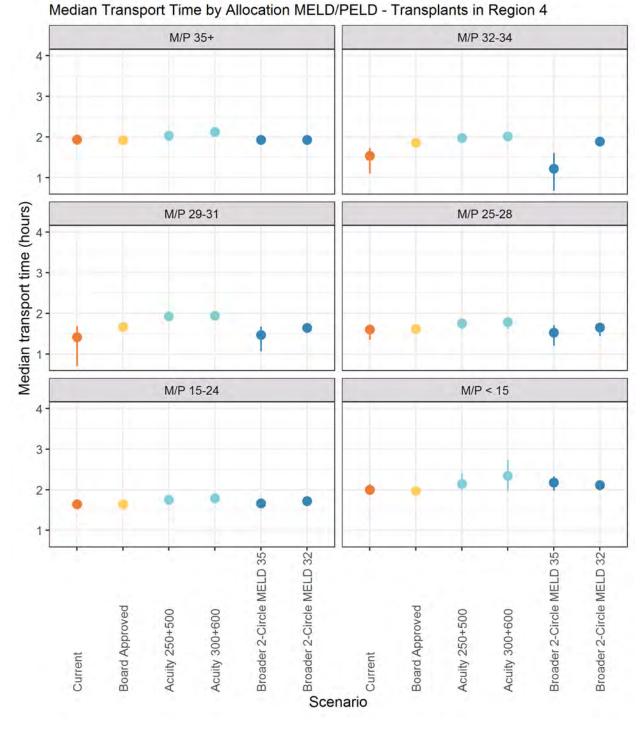


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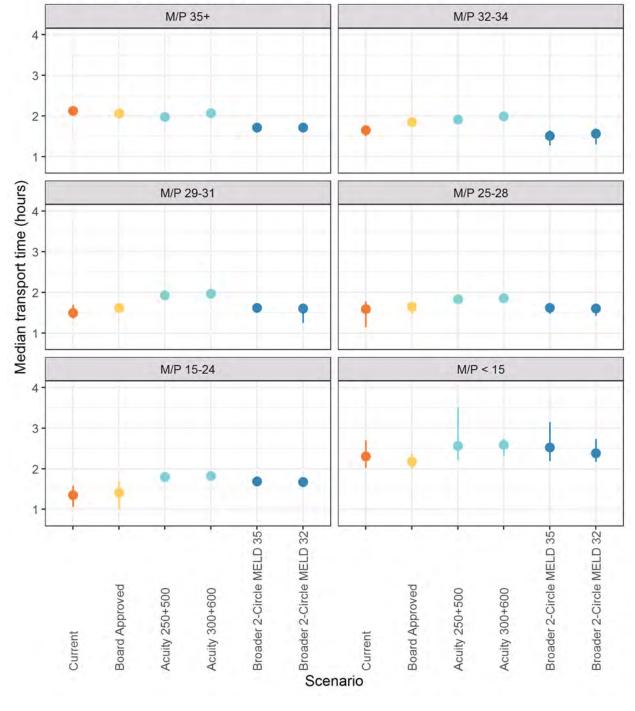


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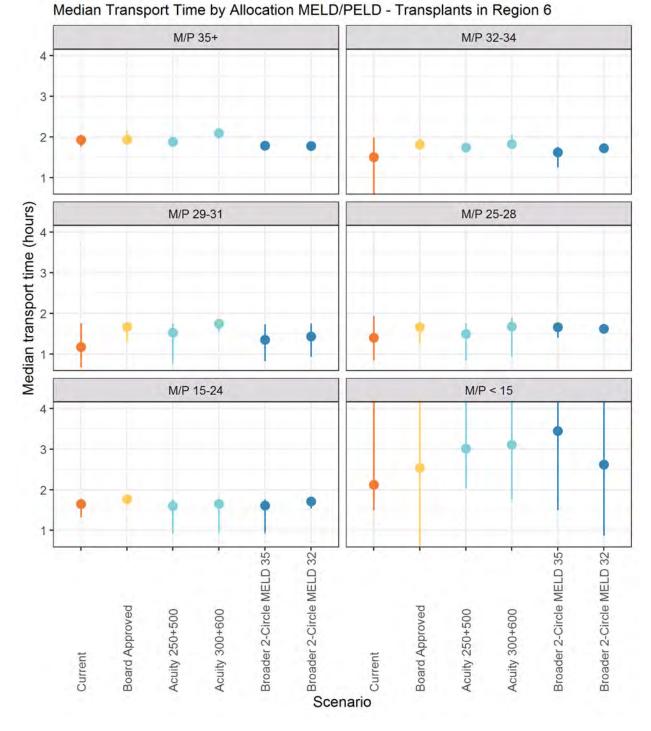


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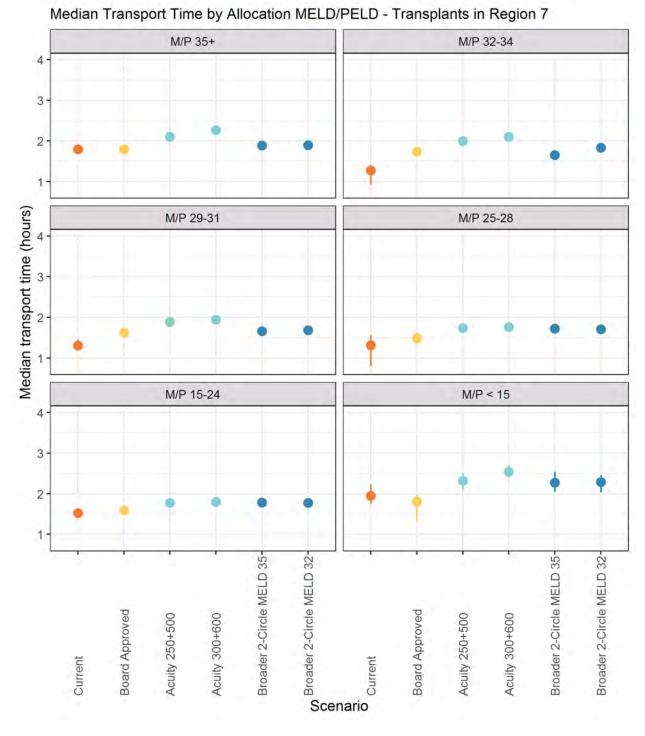


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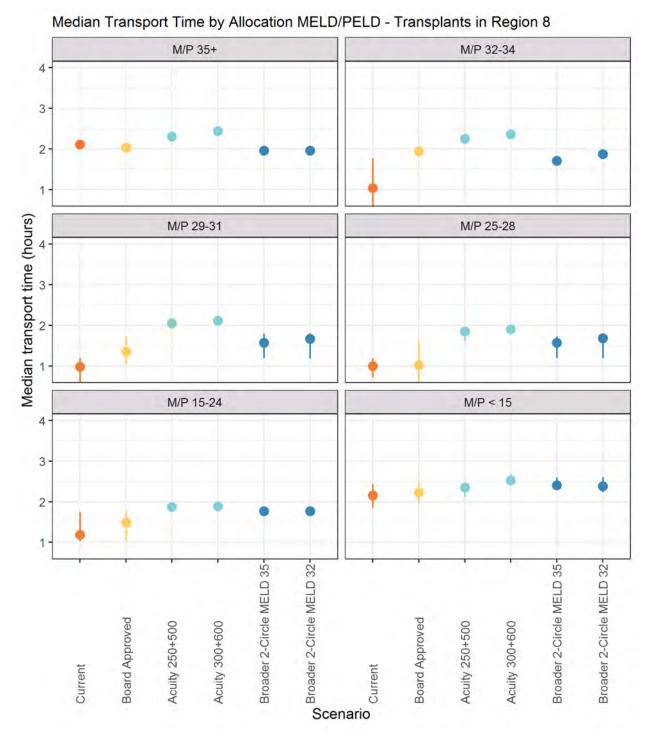
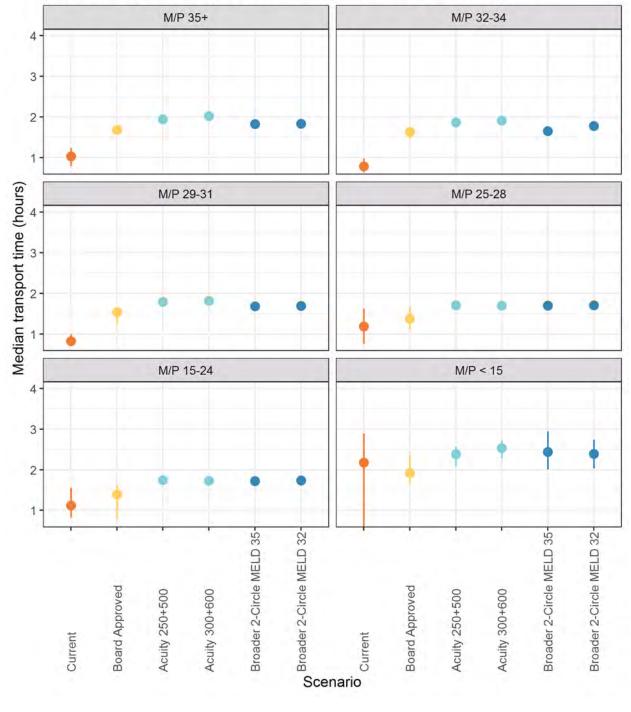


Figure 191 Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 8





Median Transport Time by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 9

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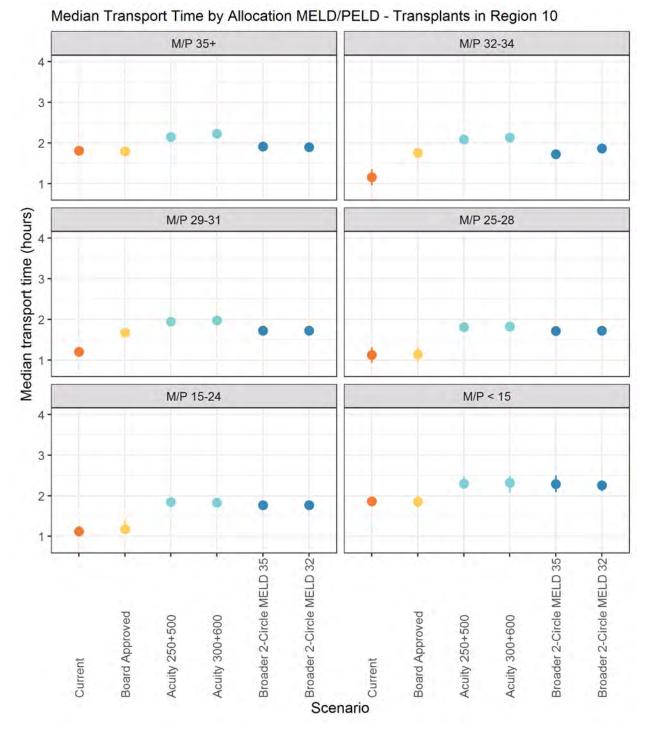


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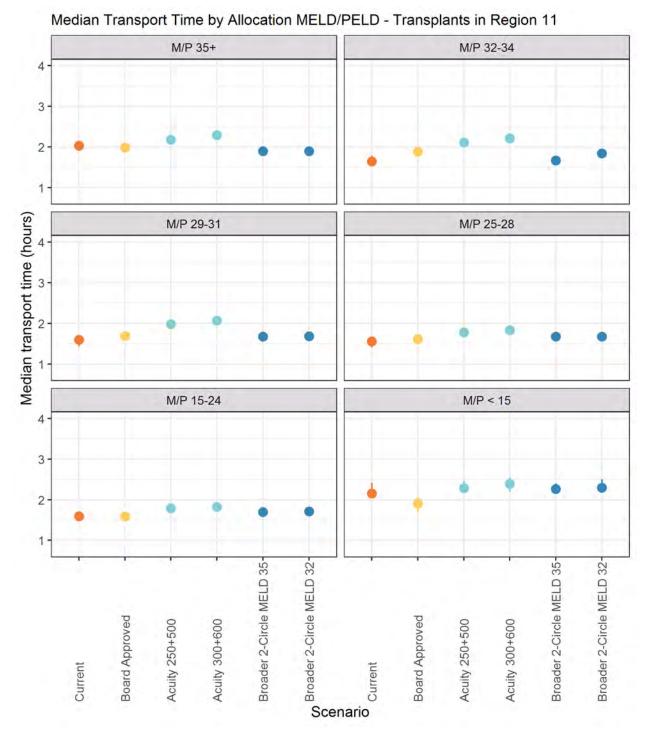


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## Median Transport Distance by Exception Status

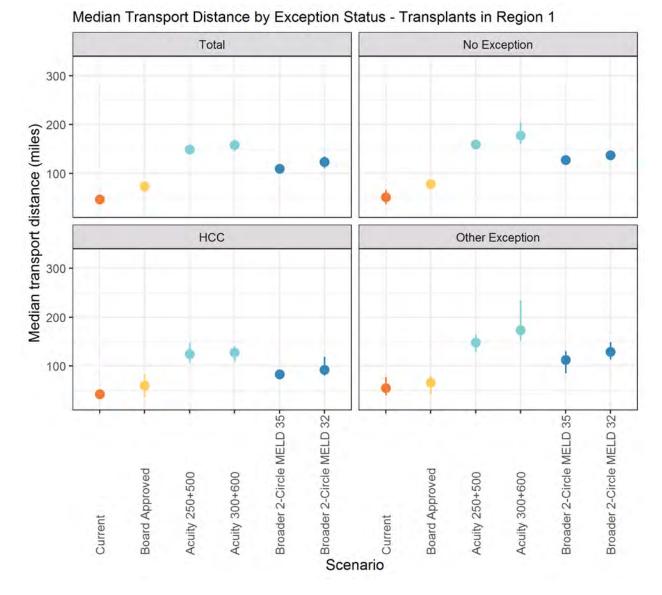


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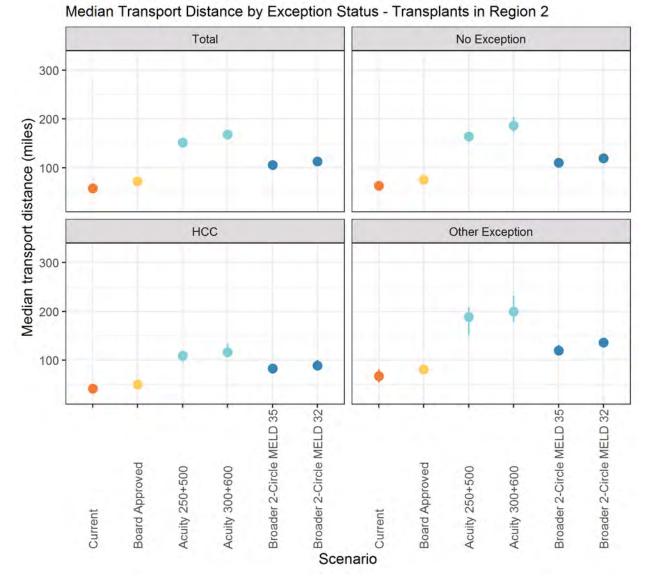


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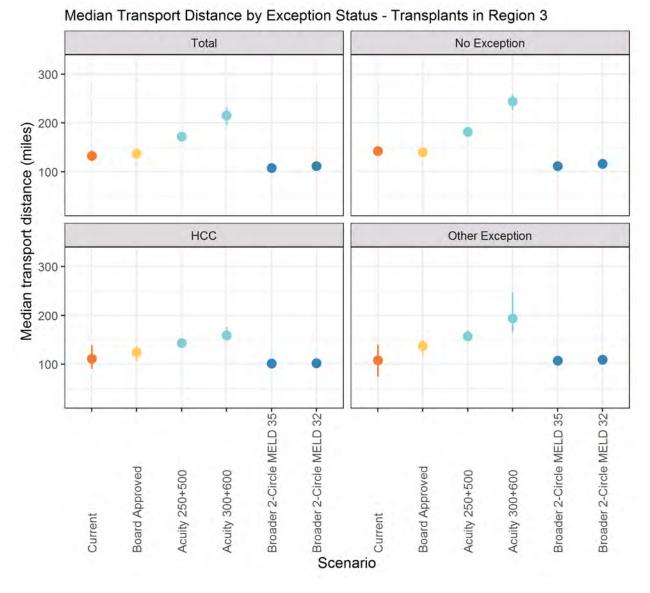


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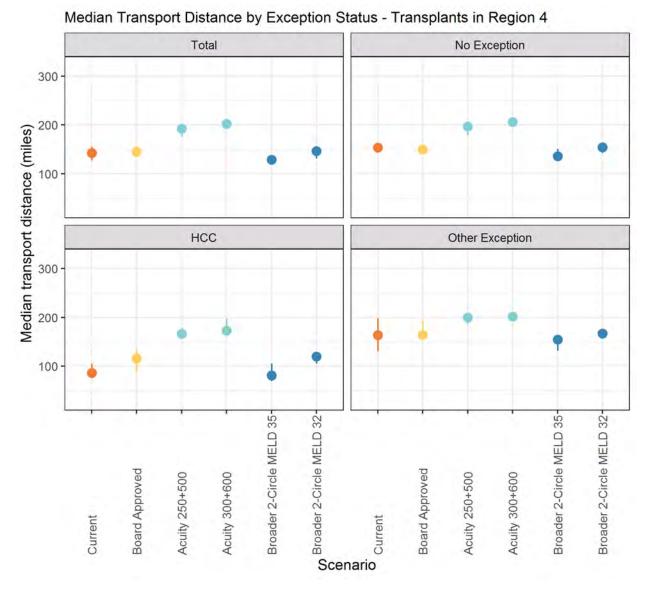


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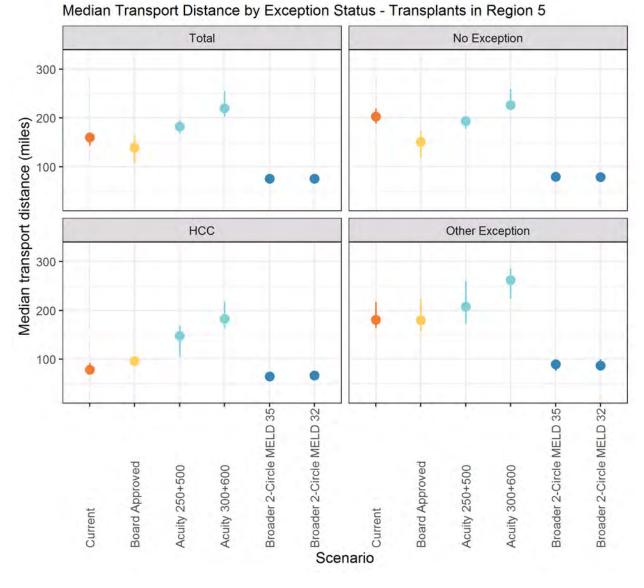


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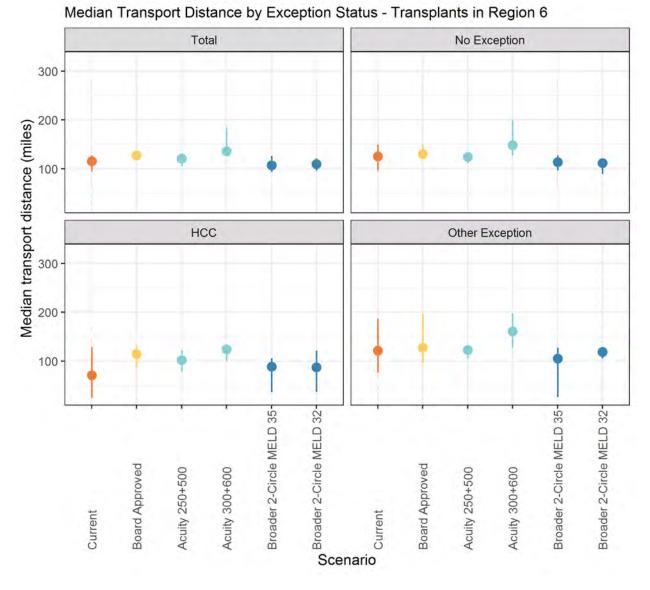


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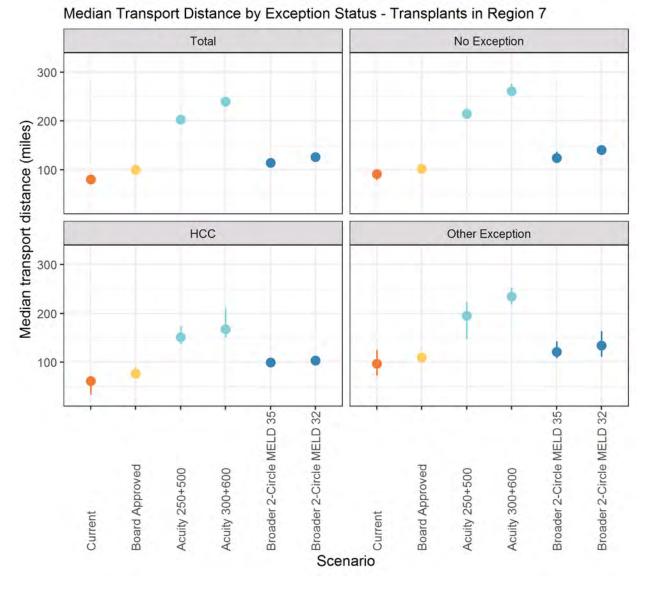


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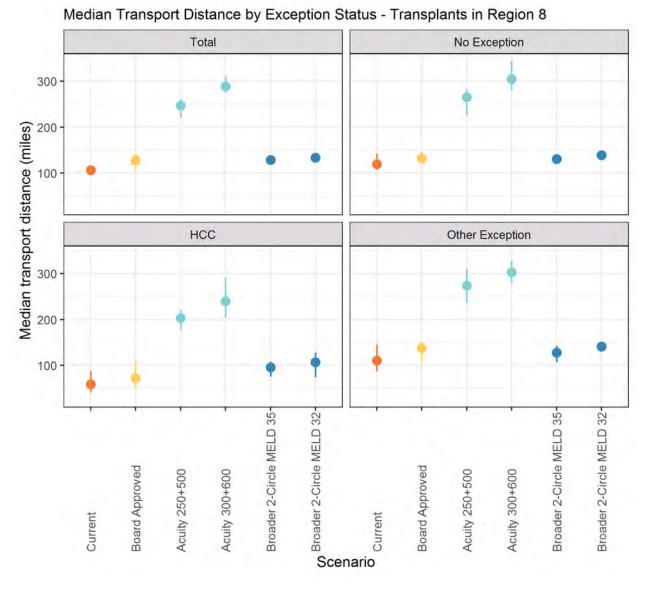


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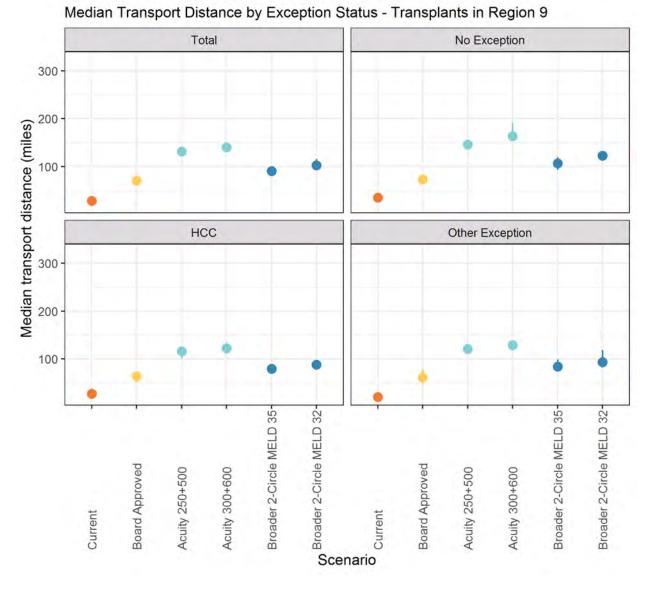


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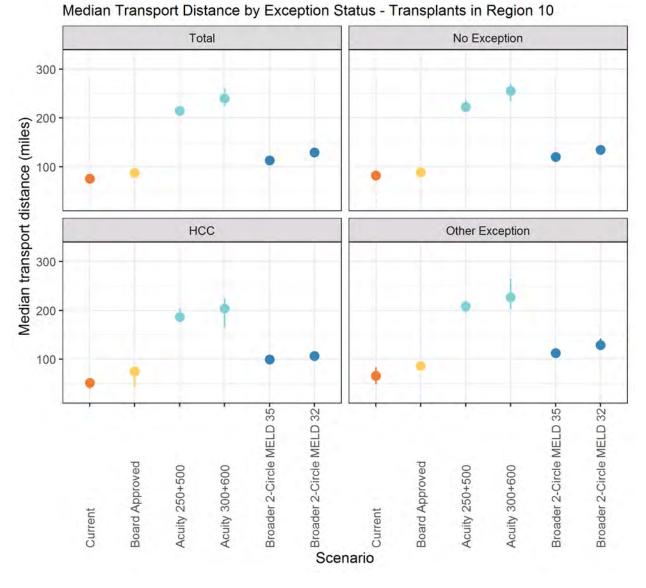
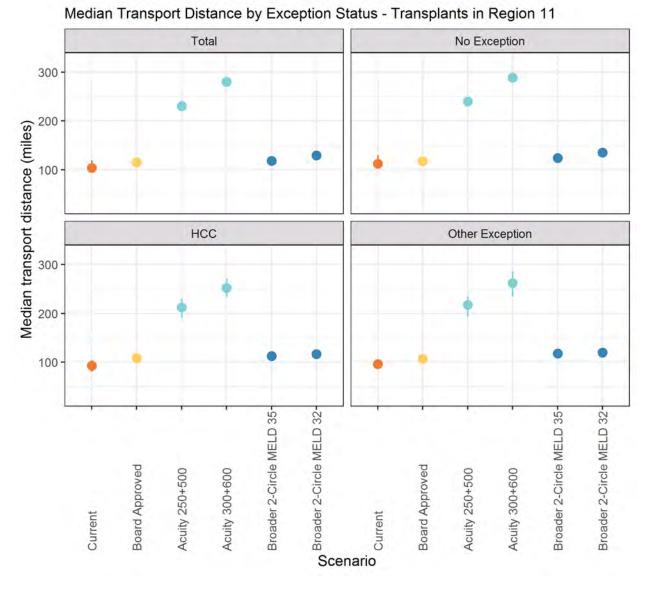


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## Median Transport Distance by Allocation MELD/PELD

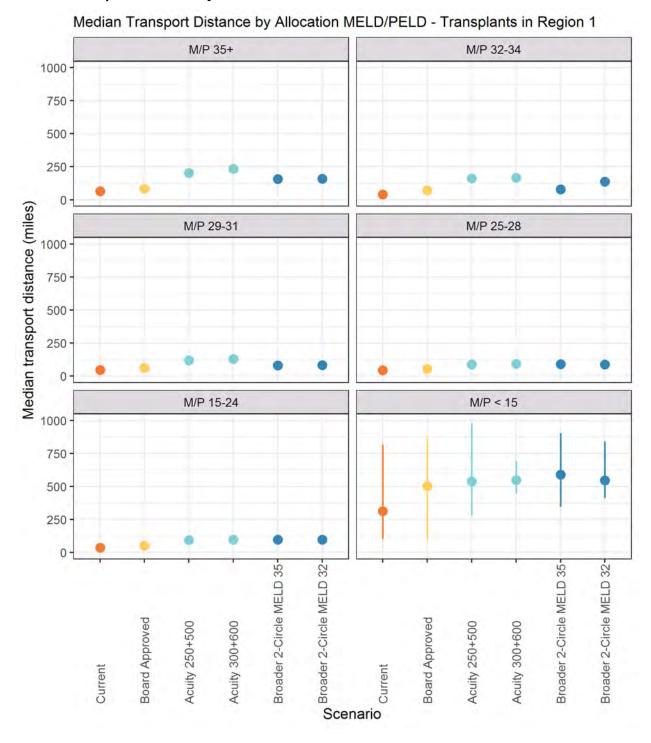


Figure 206 Median Transport Distance by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 1

Median Transport Distance by Allocation MELD/PELD - Transplants in Region 2



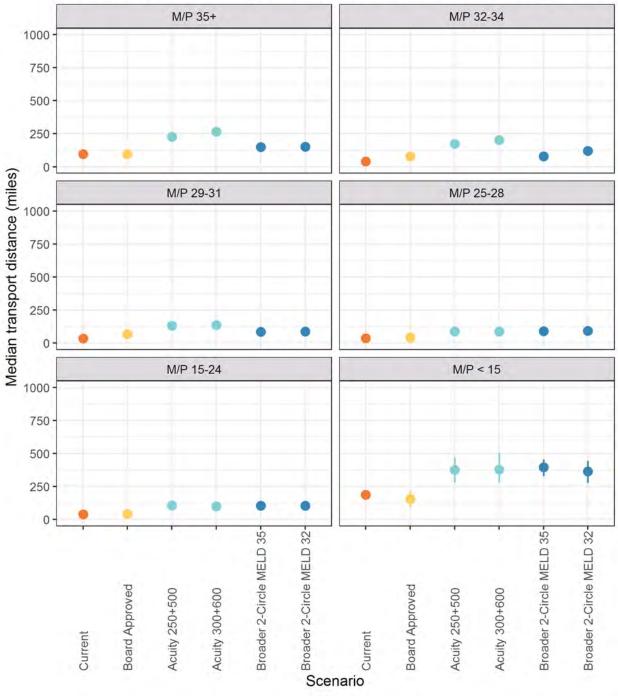


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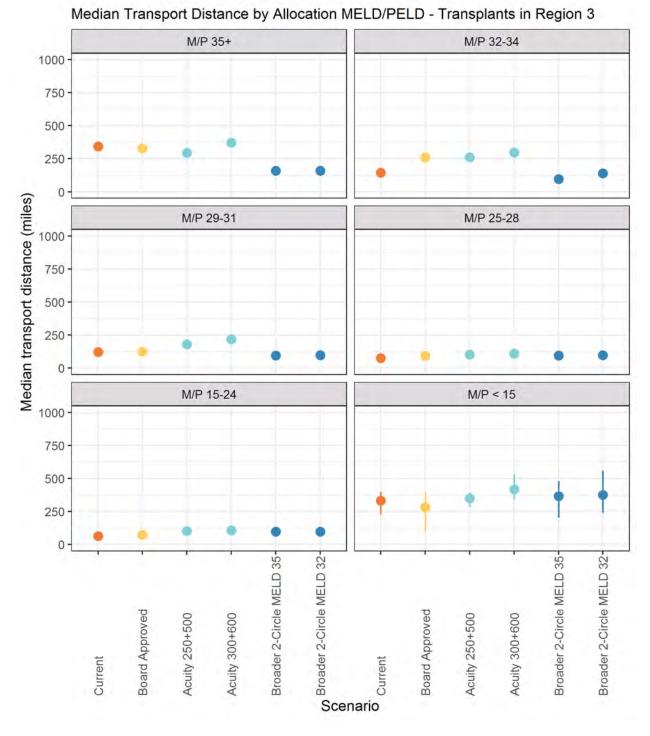


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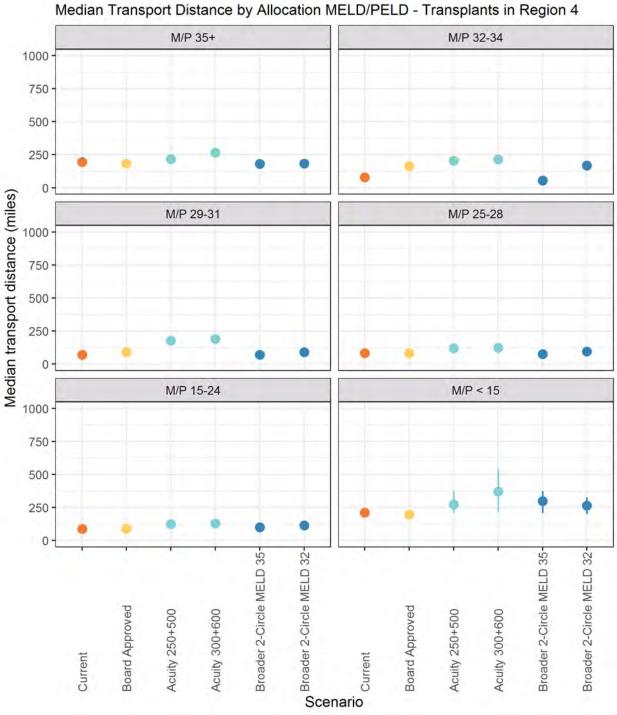


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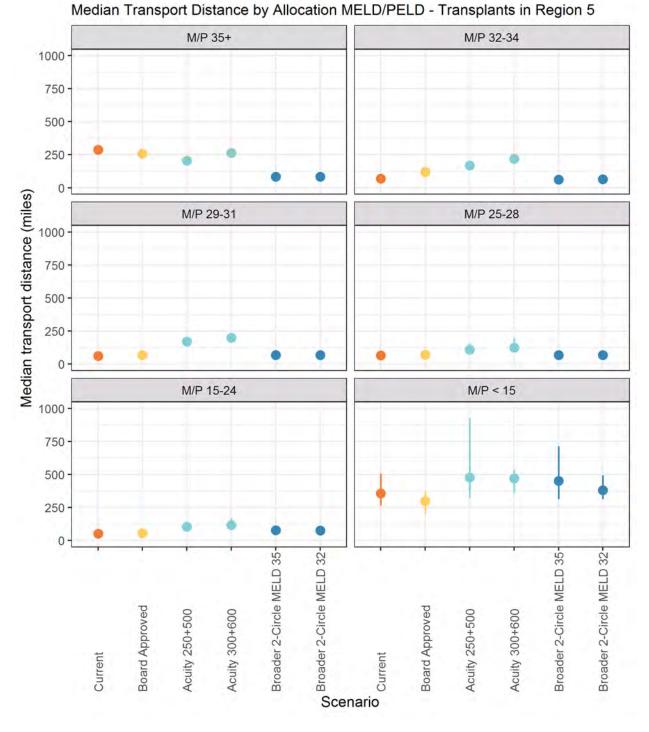


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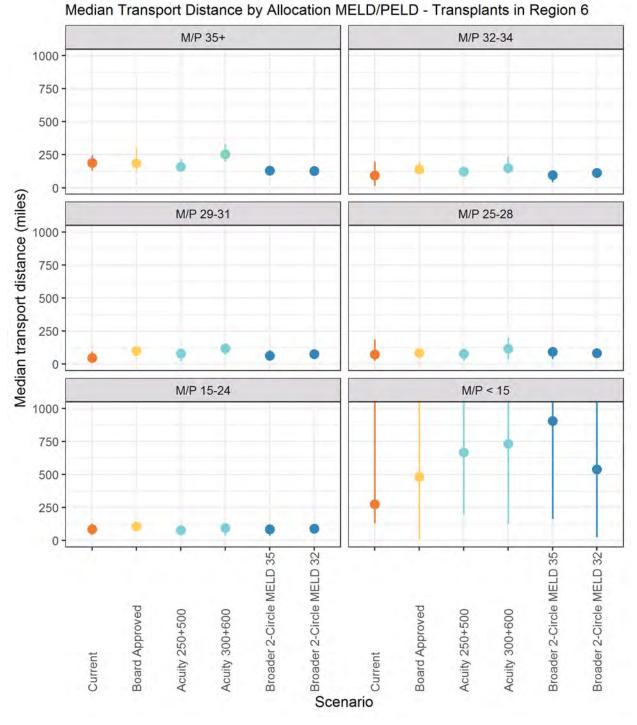


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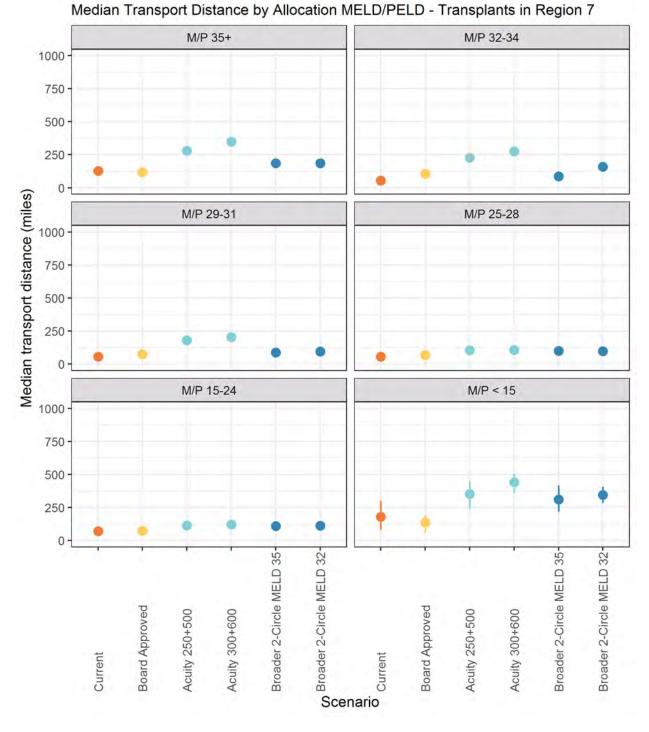


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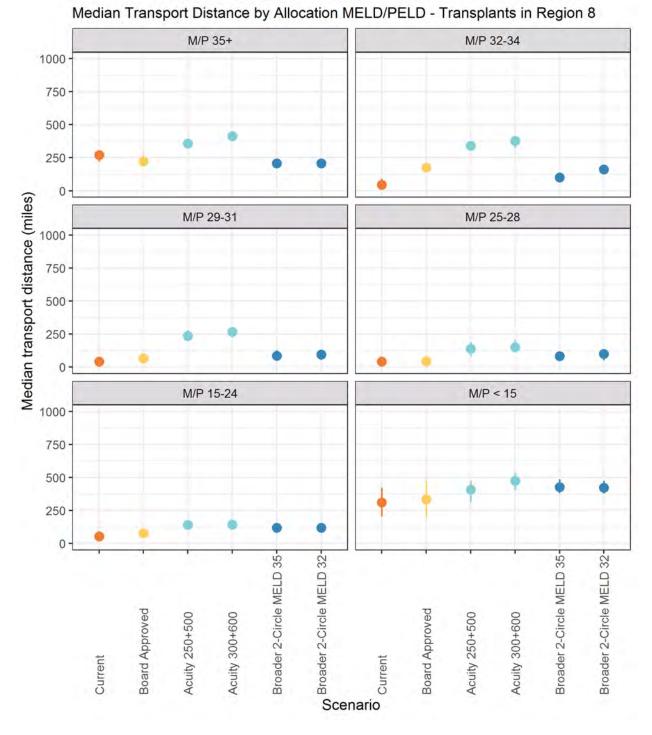


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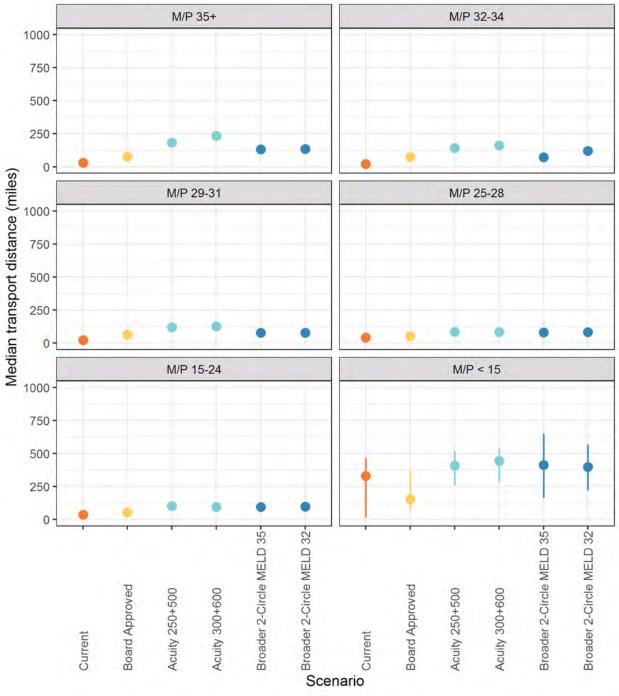


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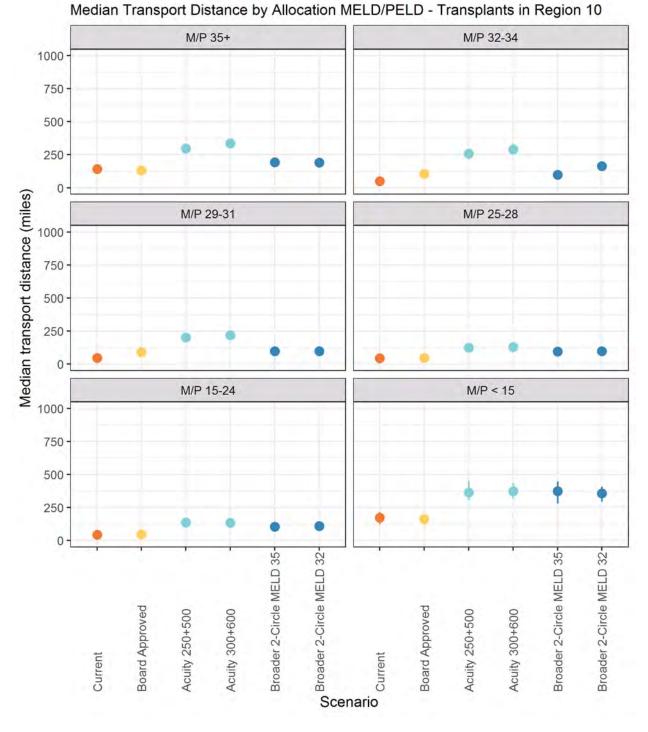


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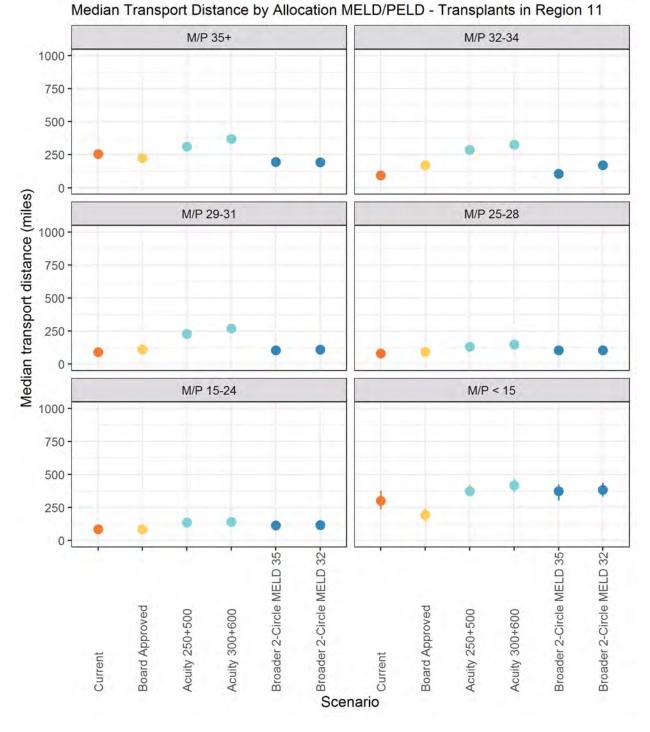


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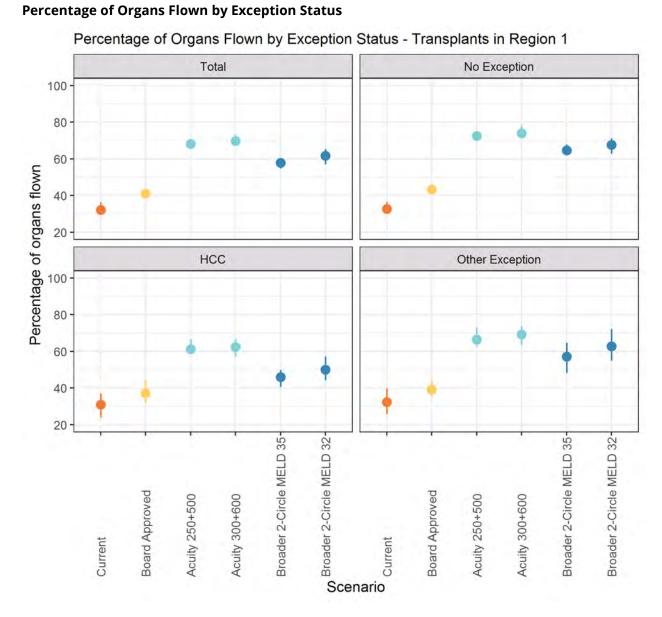


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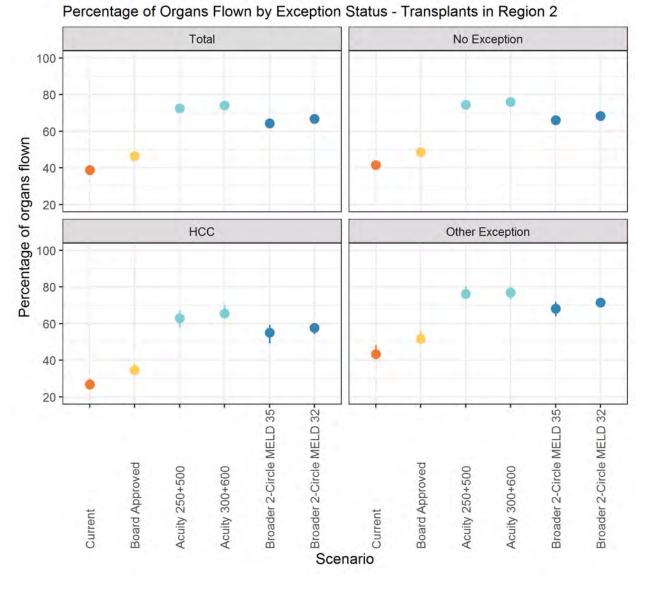


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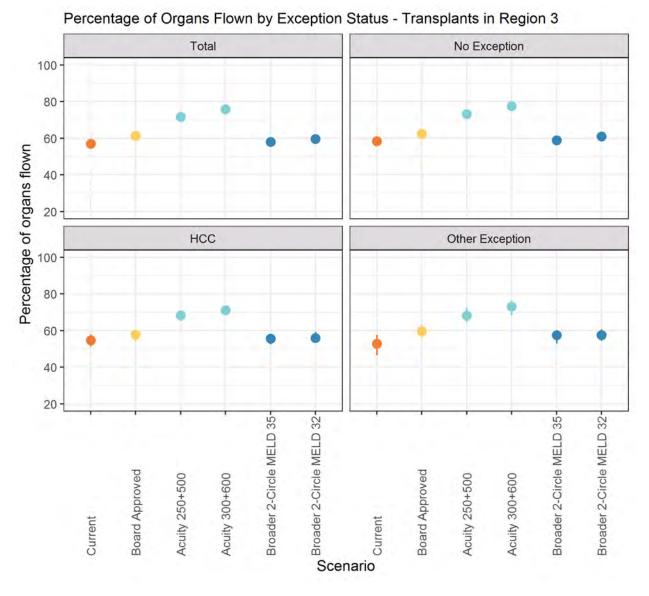


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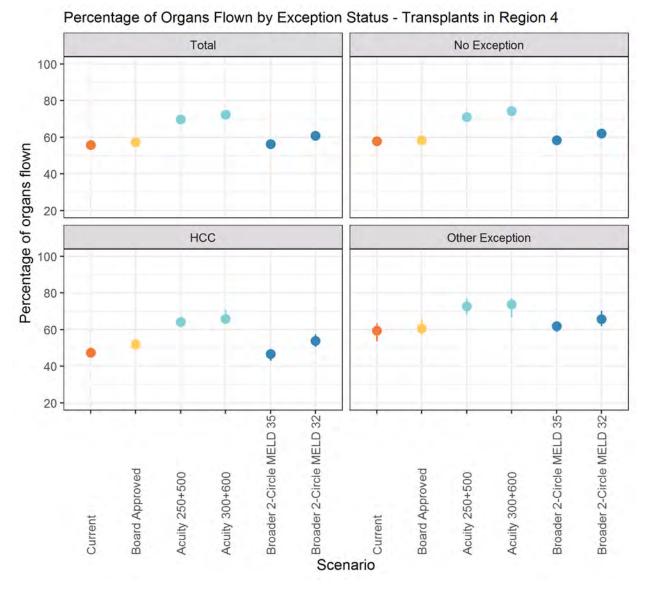


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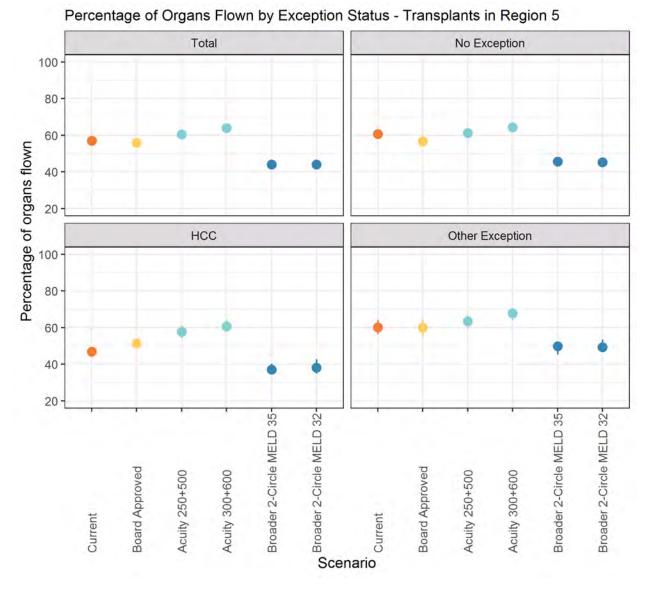


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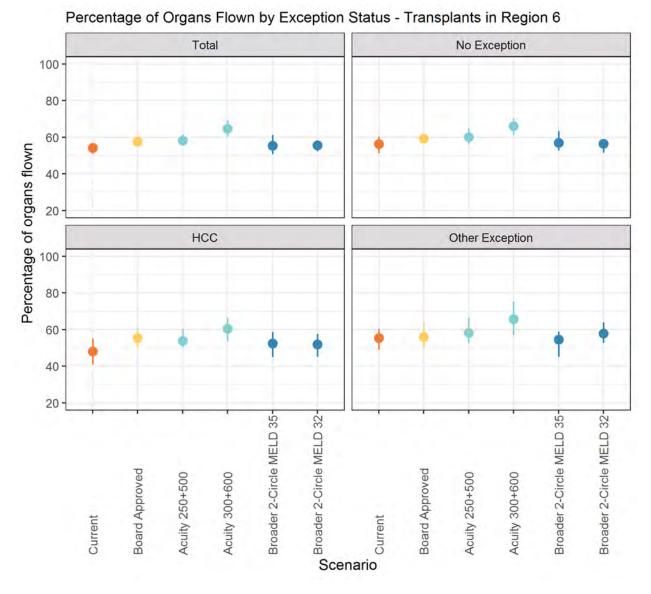


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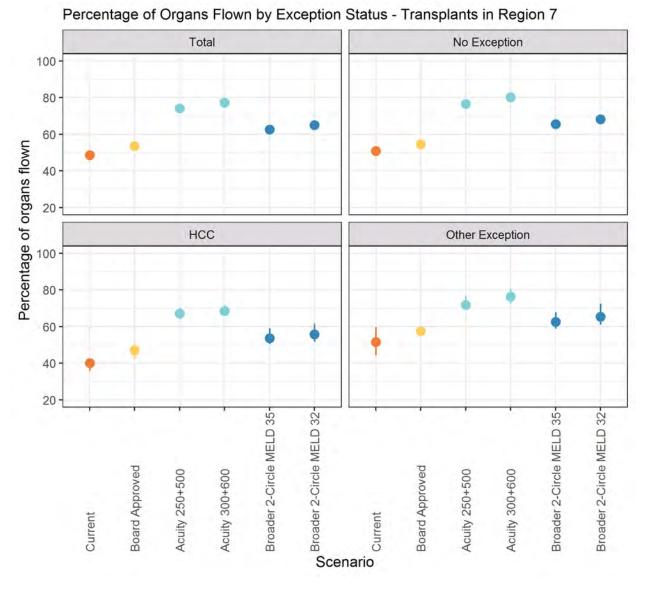


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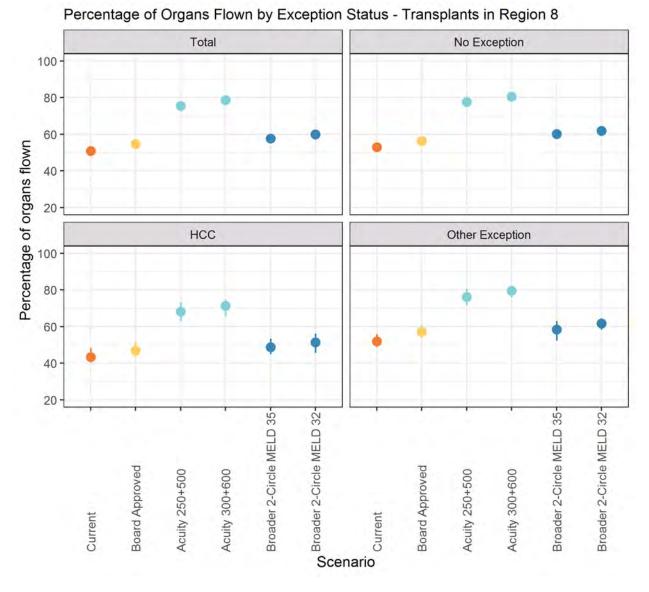


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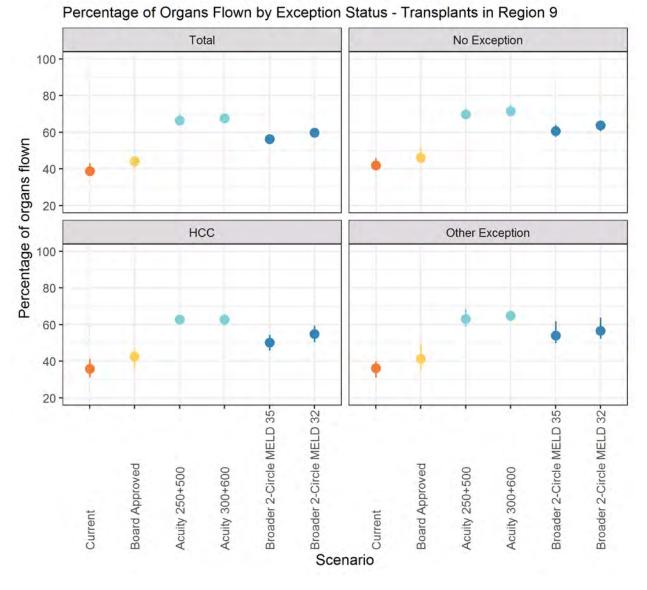


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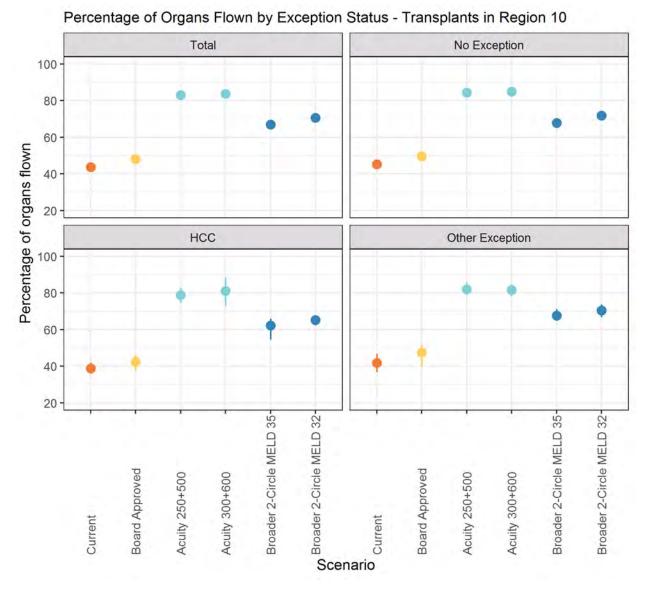


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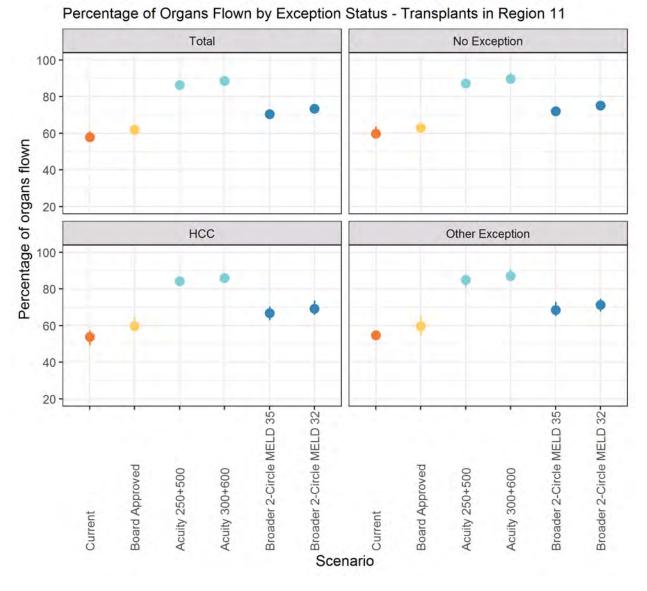


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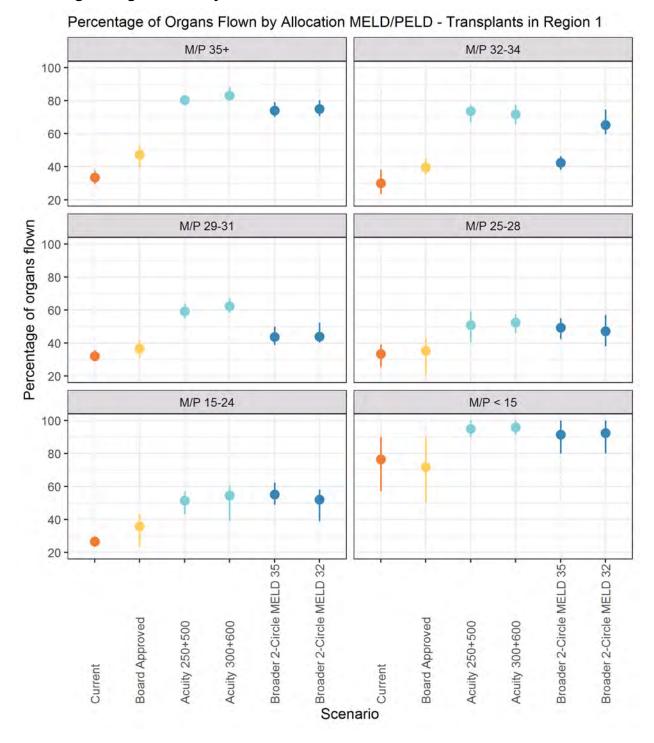


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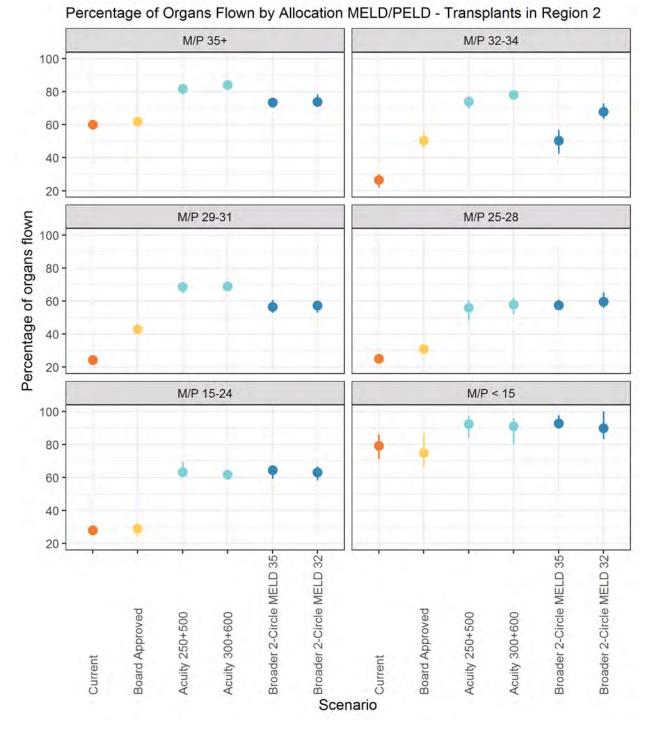


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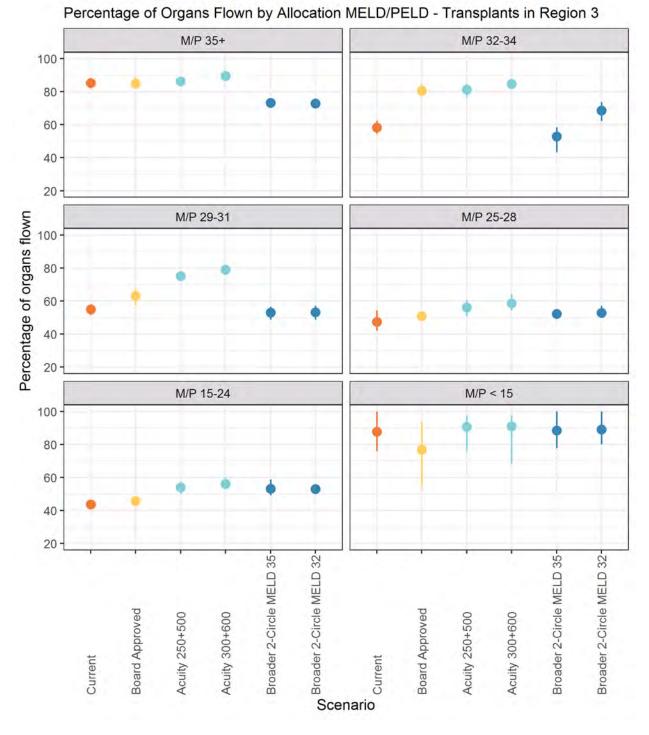


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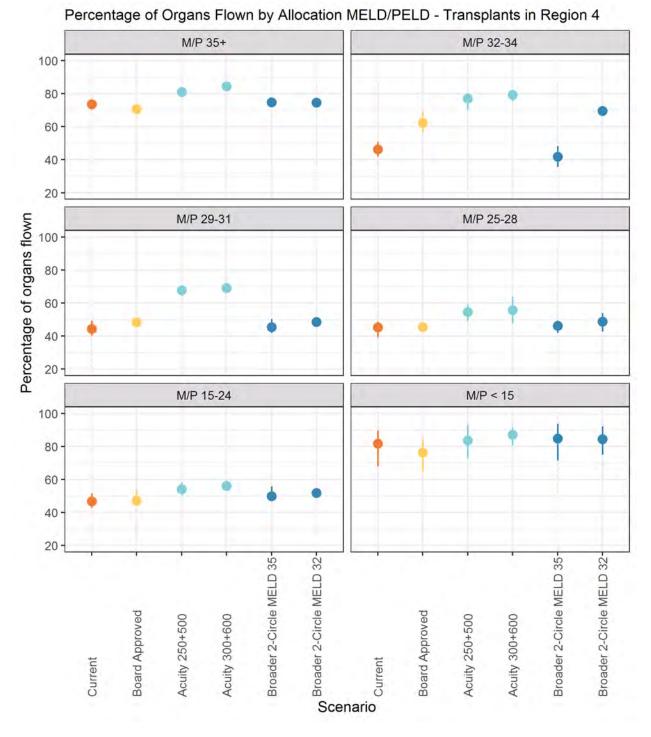


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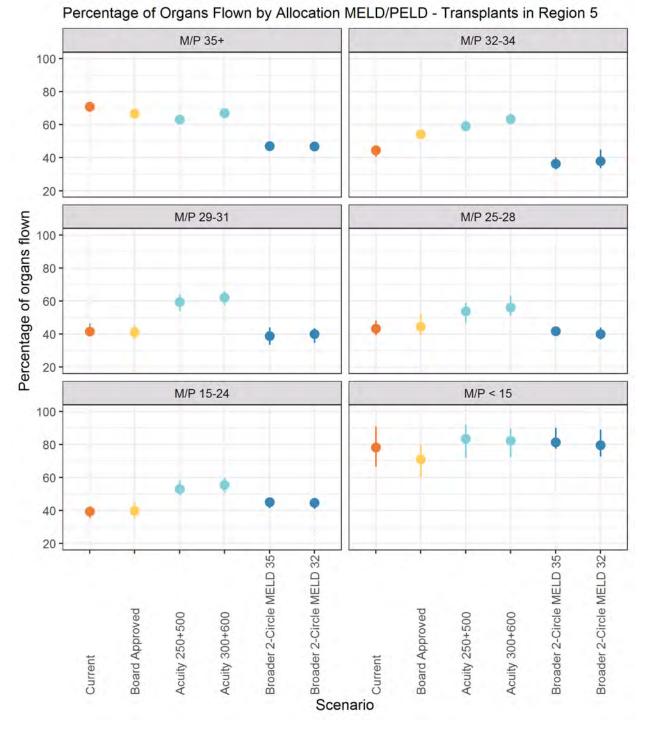


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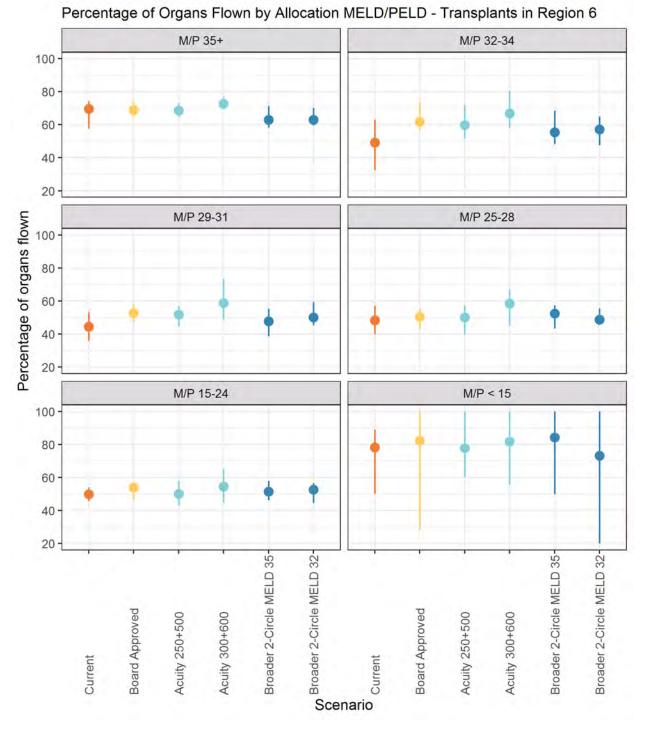


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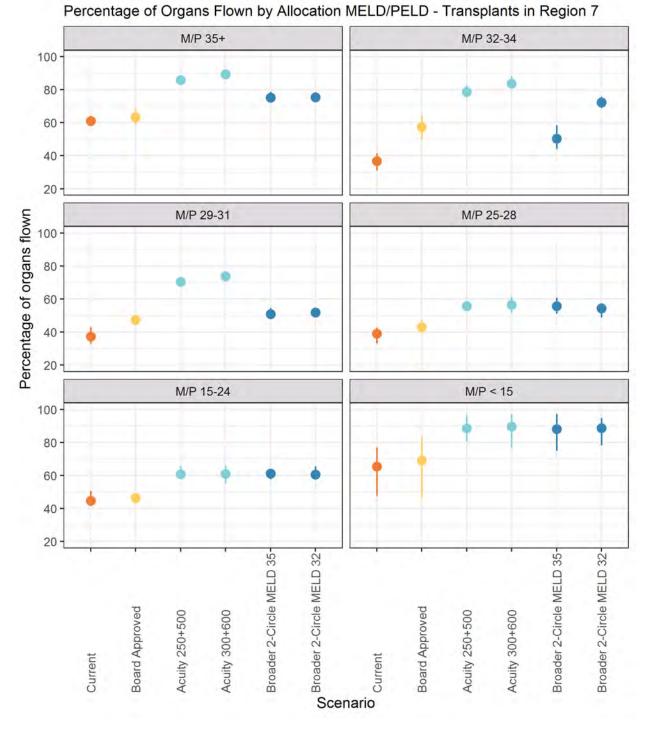


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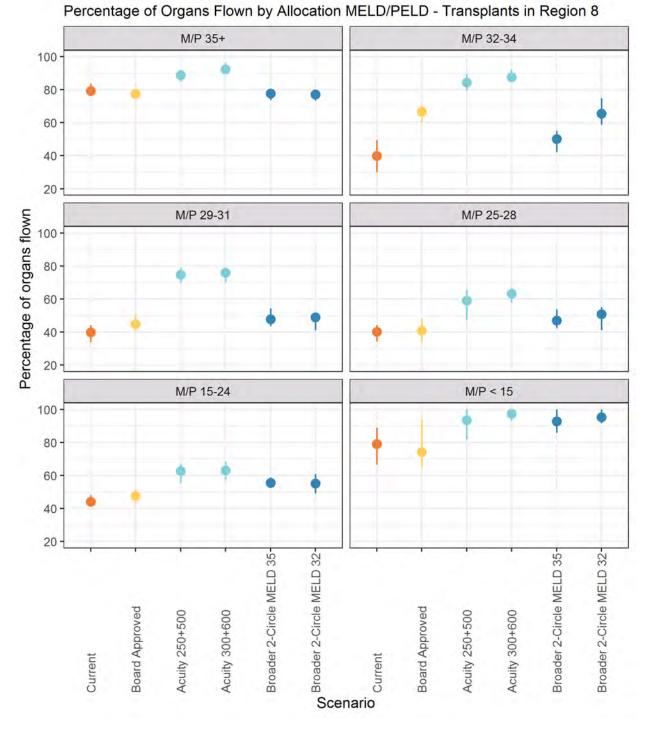


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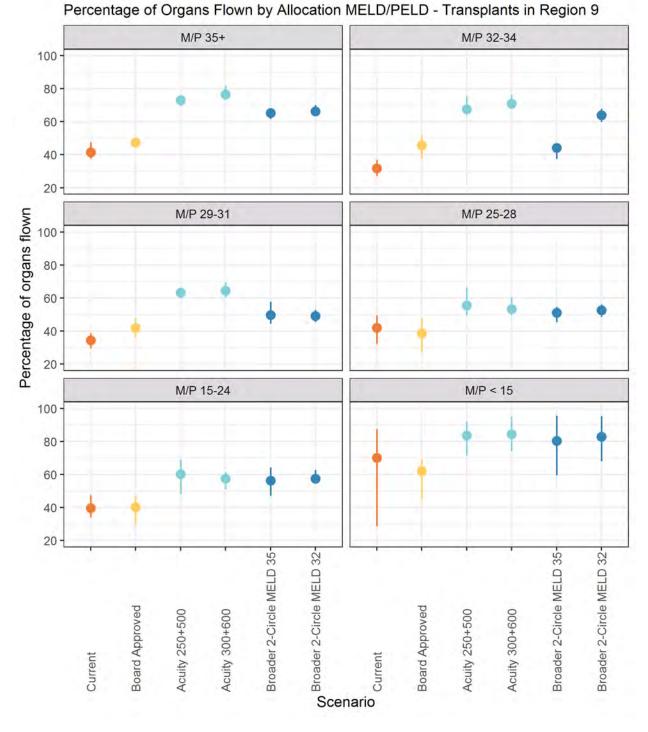


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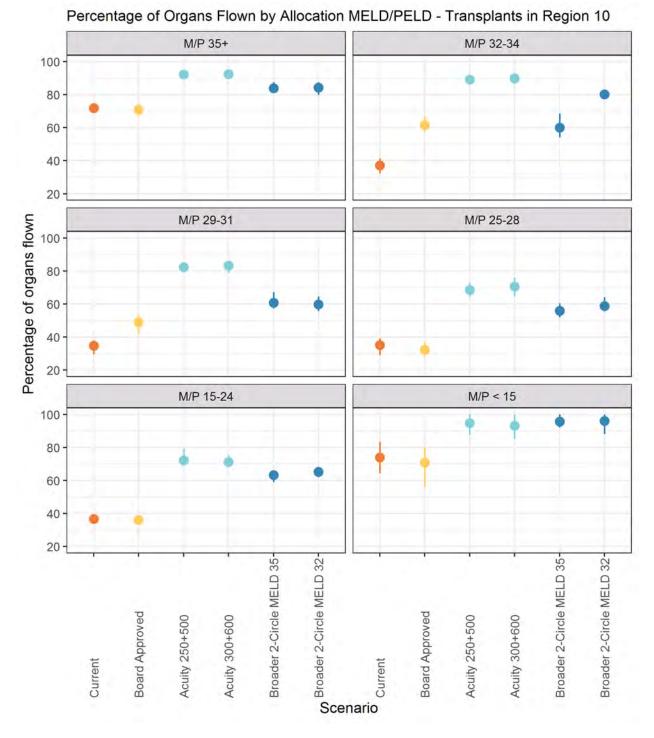


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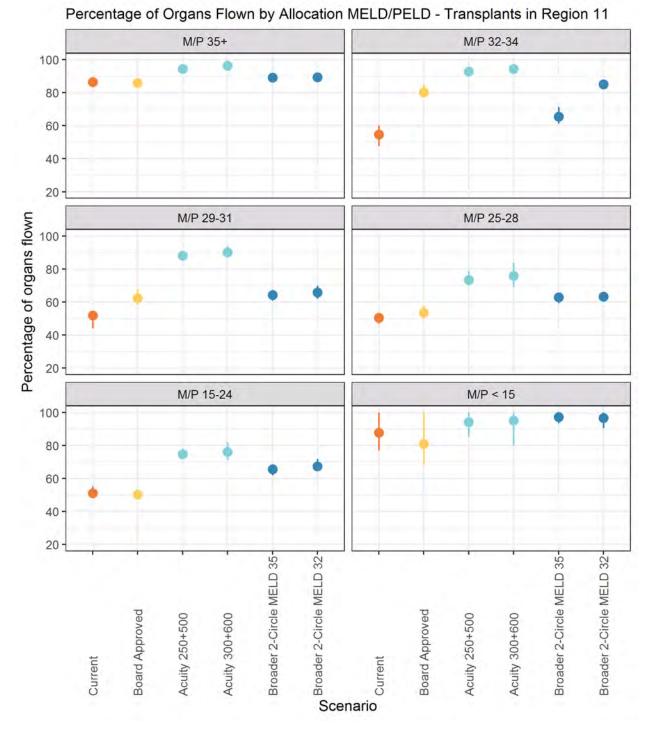


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## Appendix B: Results by Age, Sex, and Race/Ethnicity

## Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

#### Variance in Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant



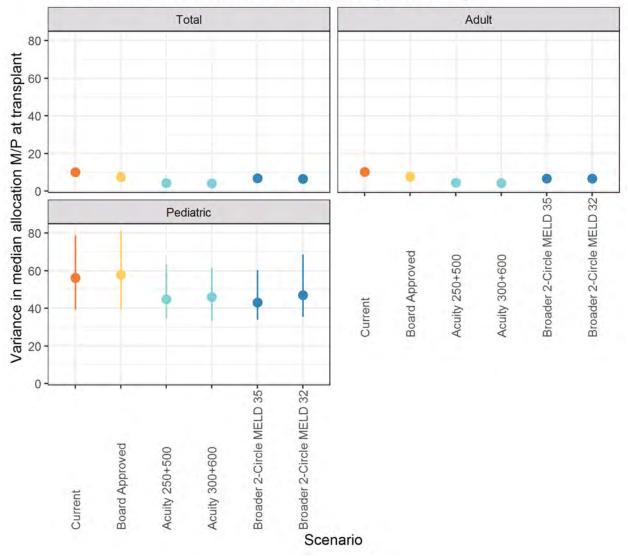


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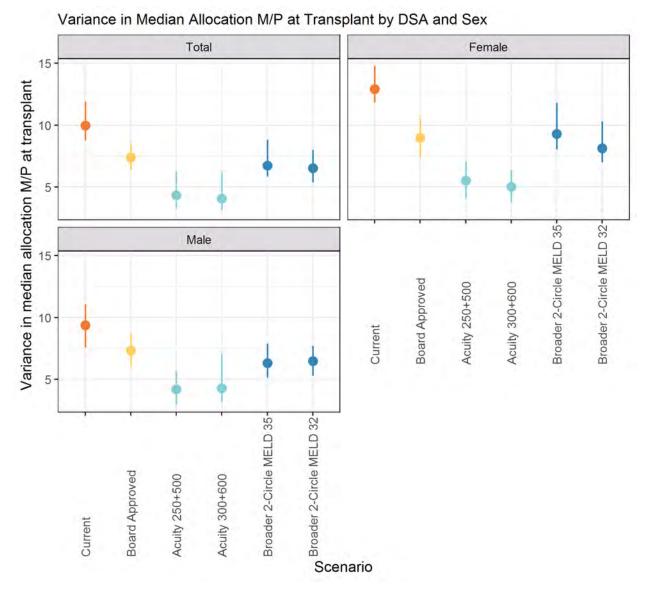


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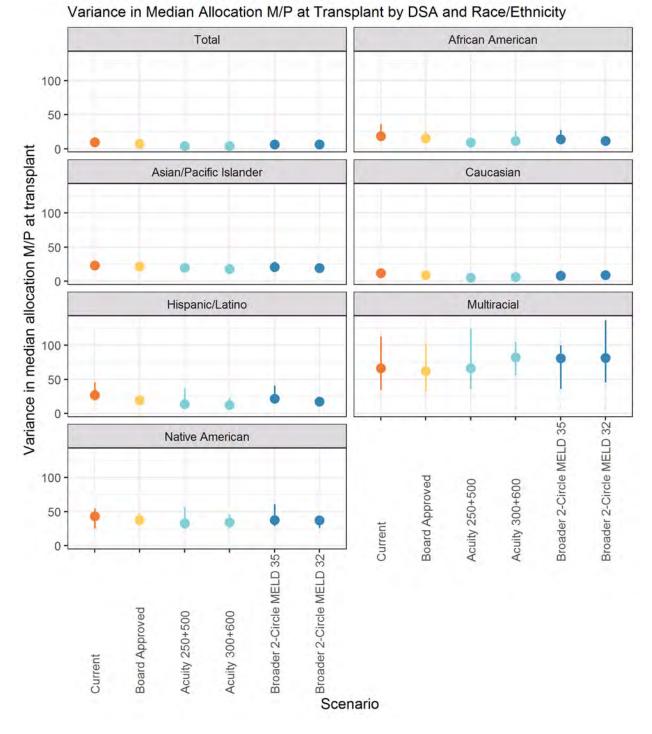


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### Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

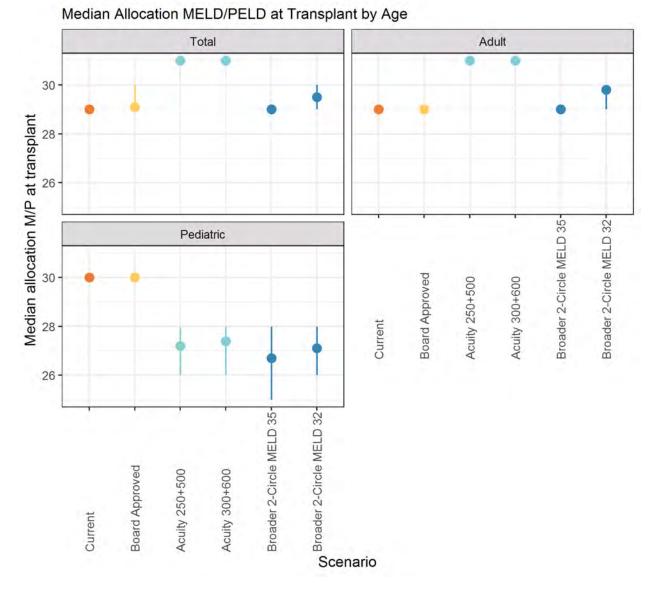


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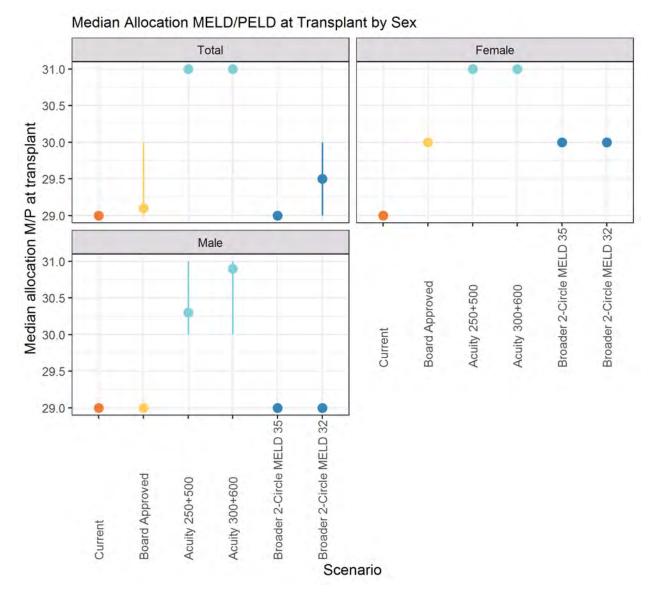


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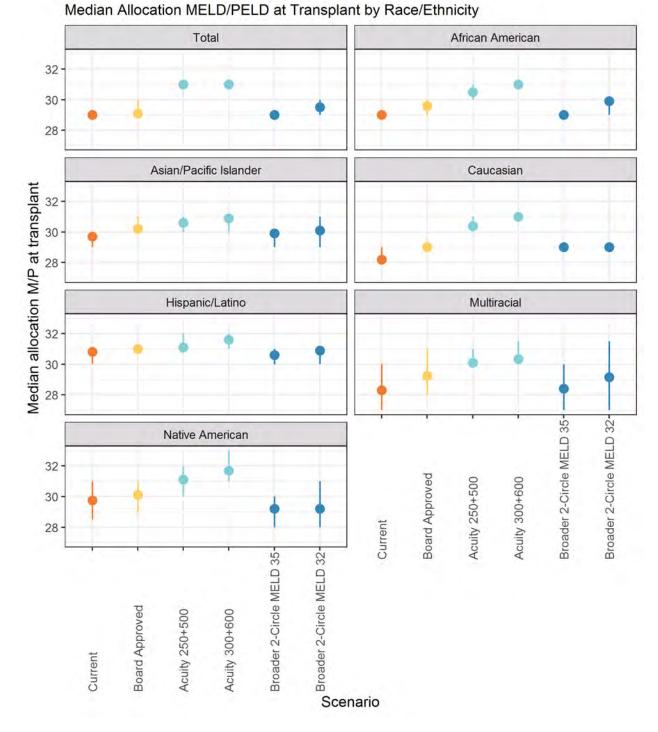


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# Transplant

#### **Transplant Rates**

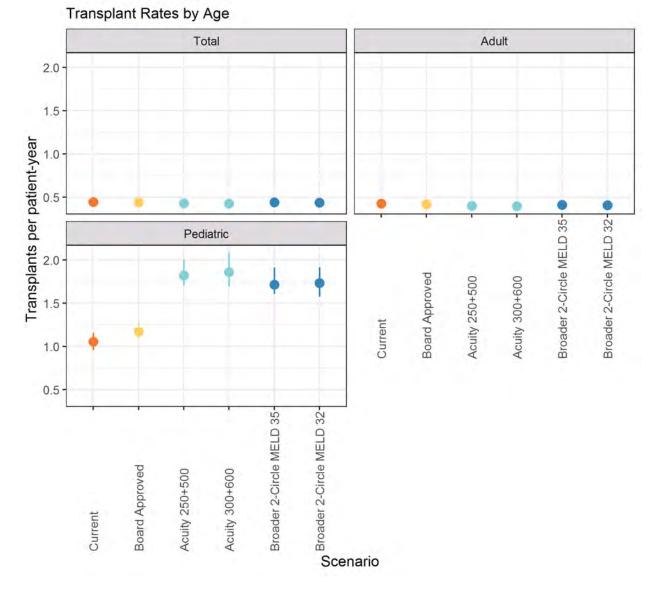


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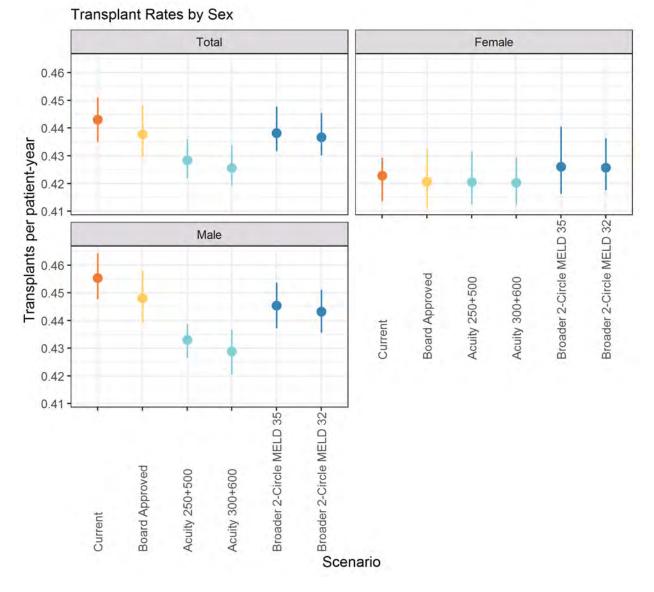


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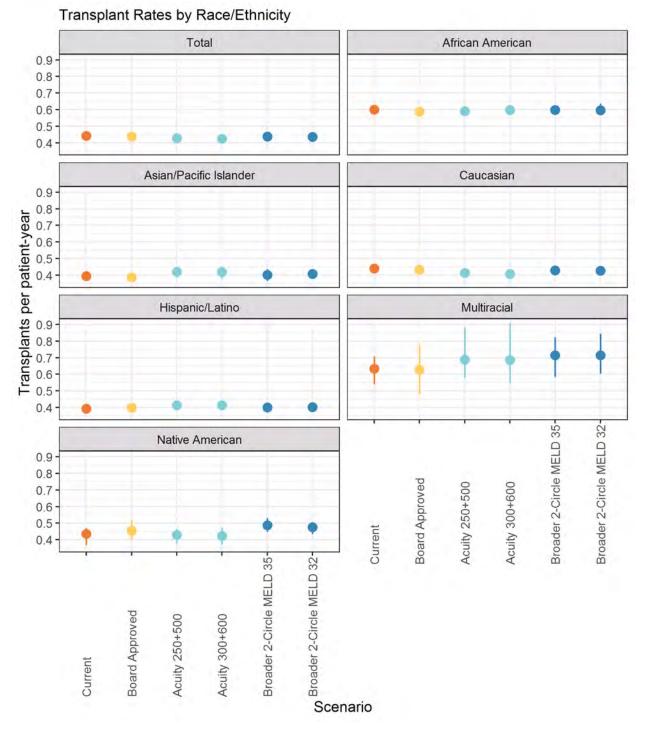


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## **Transplant Counts**

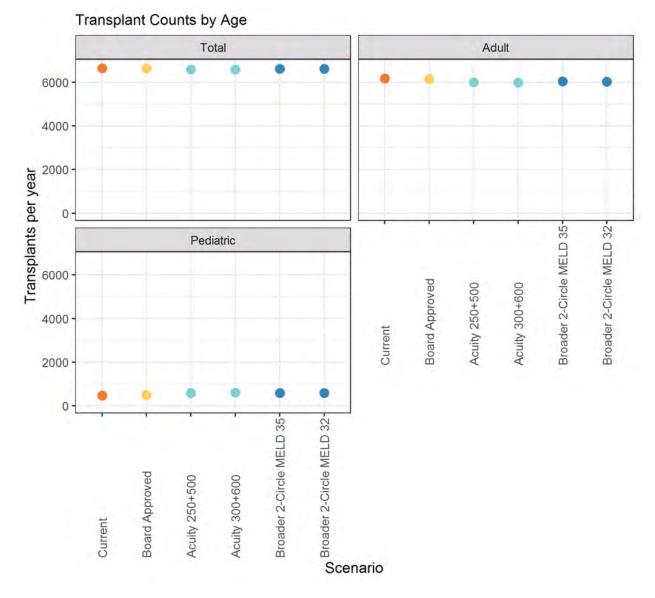
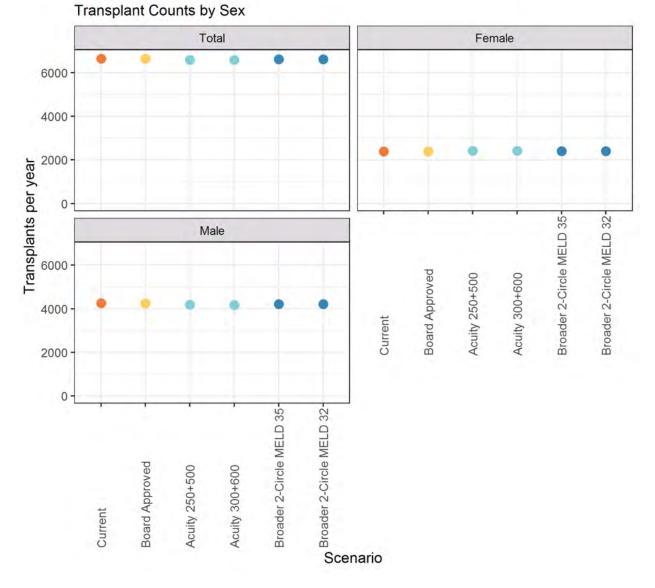


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*Figure 249 Transplant Counts by Sex* 



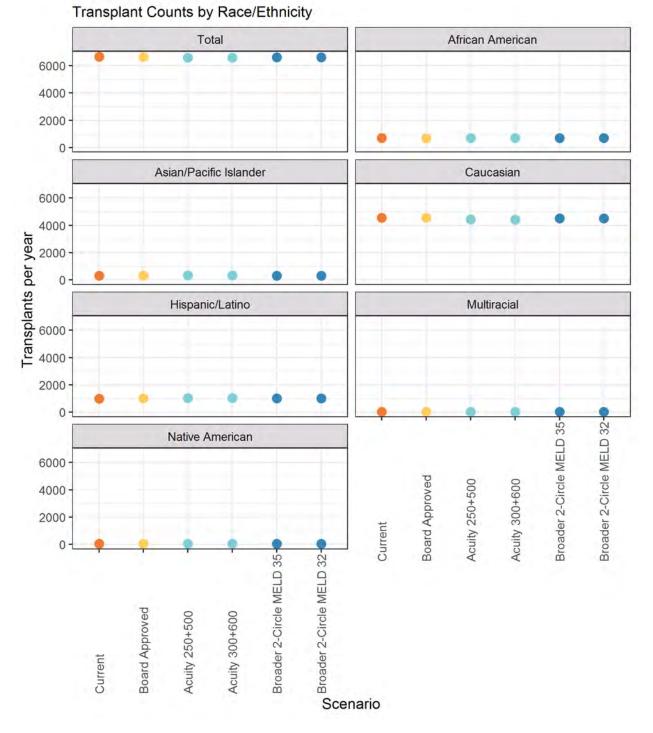
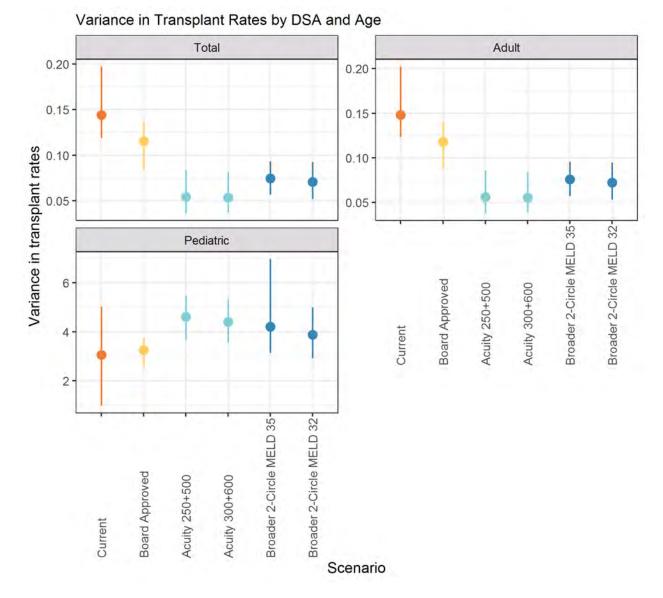


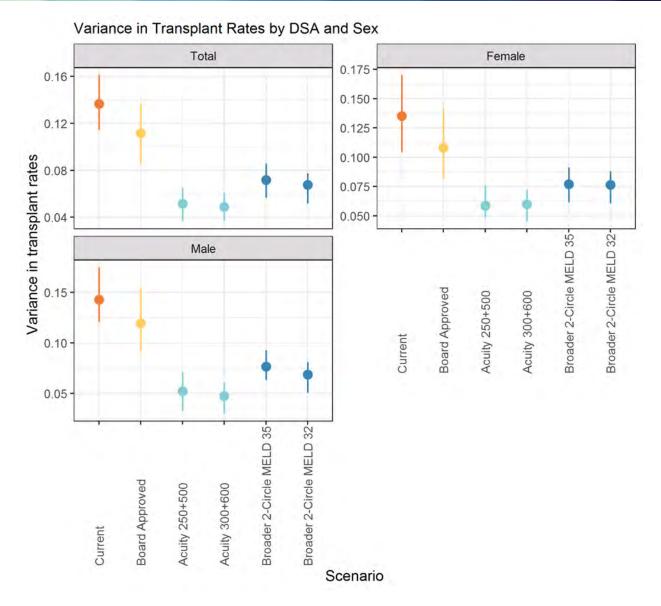
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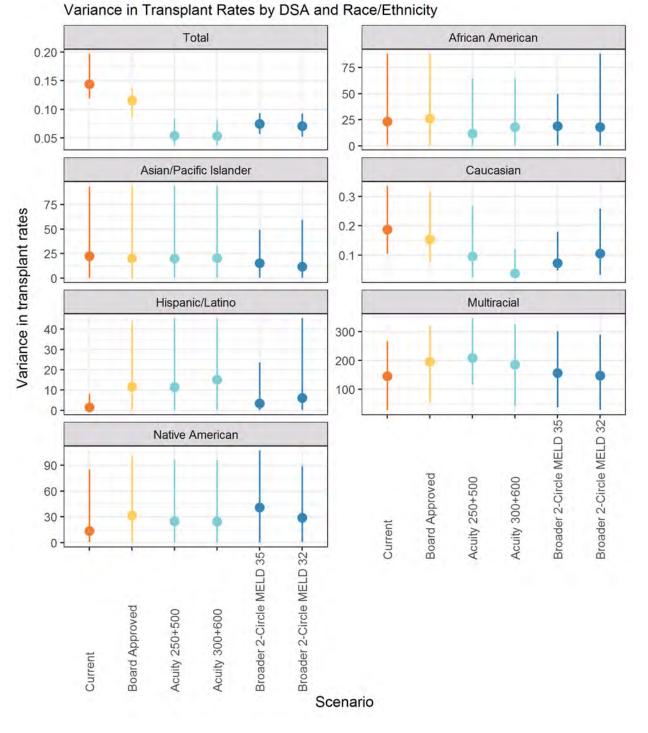


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*Figure 252 Variance in Transplant Rates by DSA and Sex. Transplant rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Sex groups (1.7 transplants per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 





*Figure 253 Variance in Transplant Rates by DSA and Race/Ethnicity. Transplant rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Race/Ethnicity groups (59.8 transplants per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



## Waitlist Mortality

#### **Waitlist Mortality Rates**

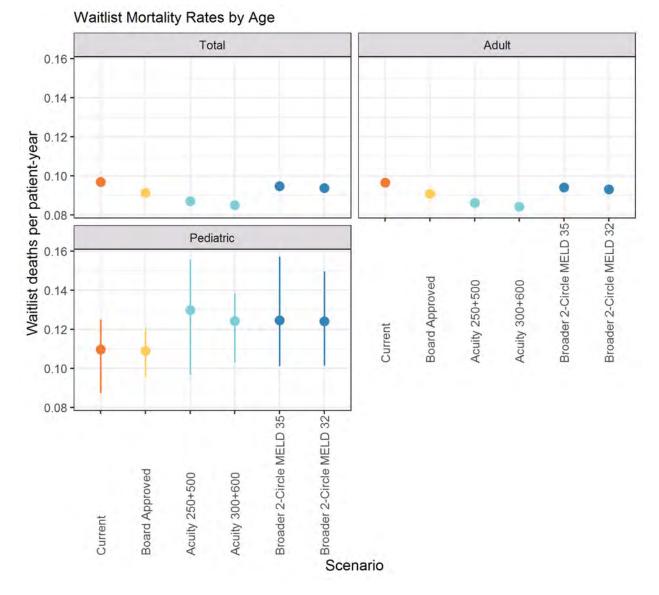


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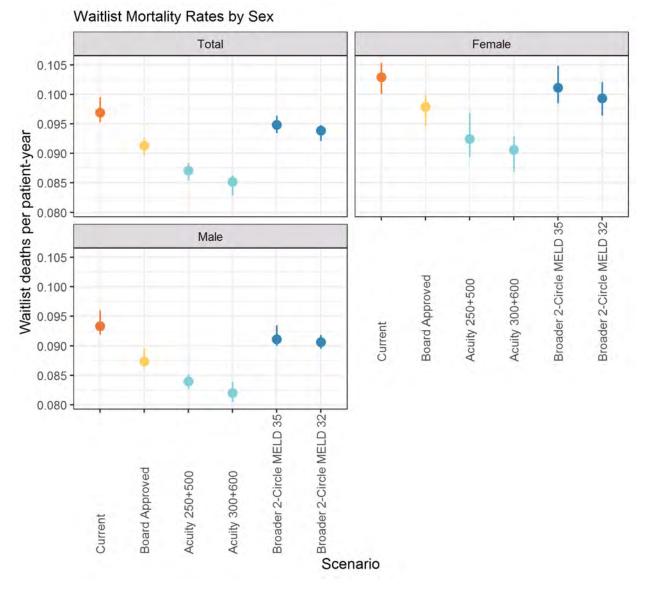


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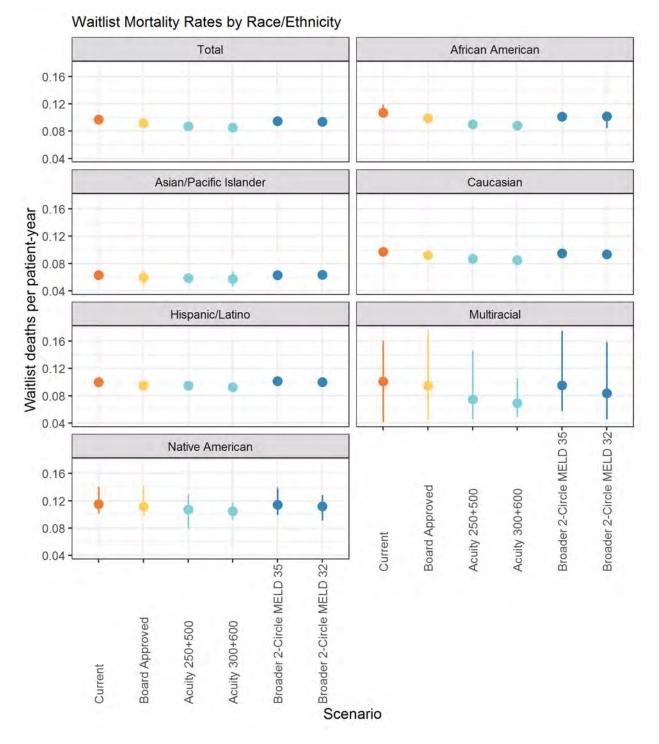


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## **Waitlist Mortality Counts**

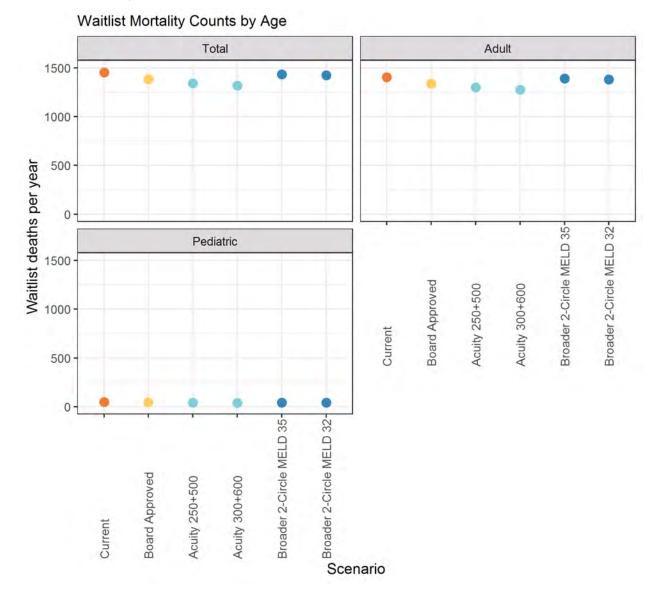


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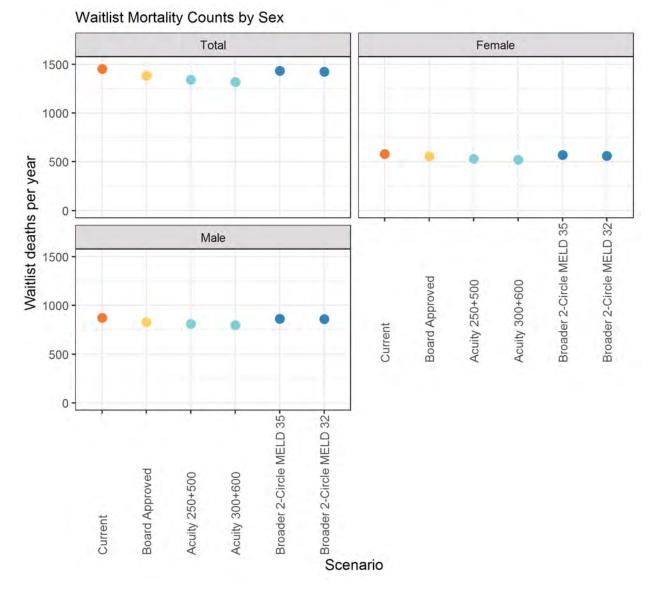


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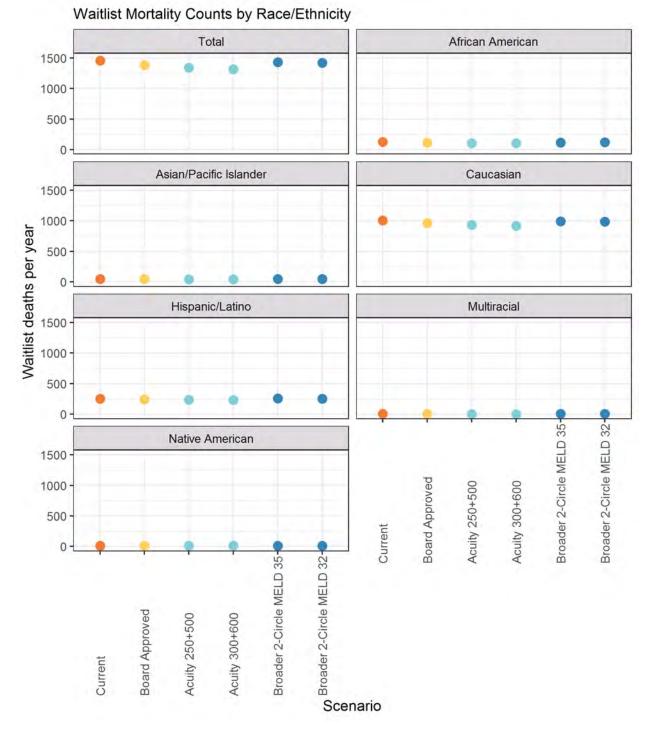
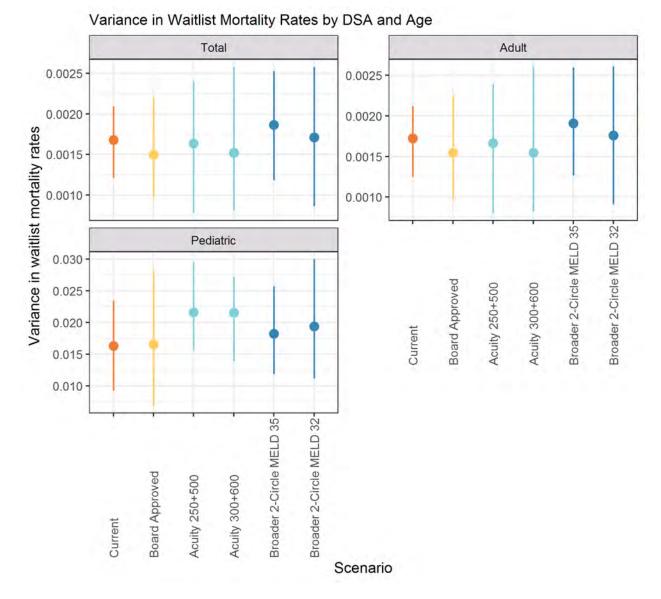


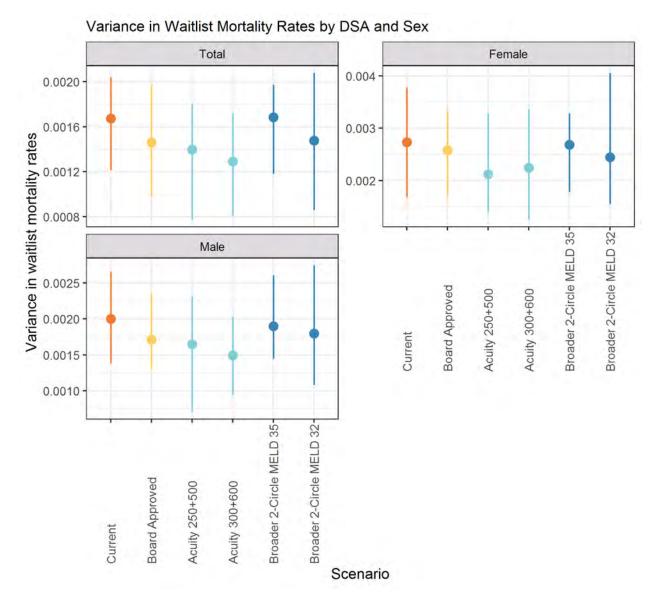
Figure 259 Waitlist Mortality Counts by Race/Ethnicity



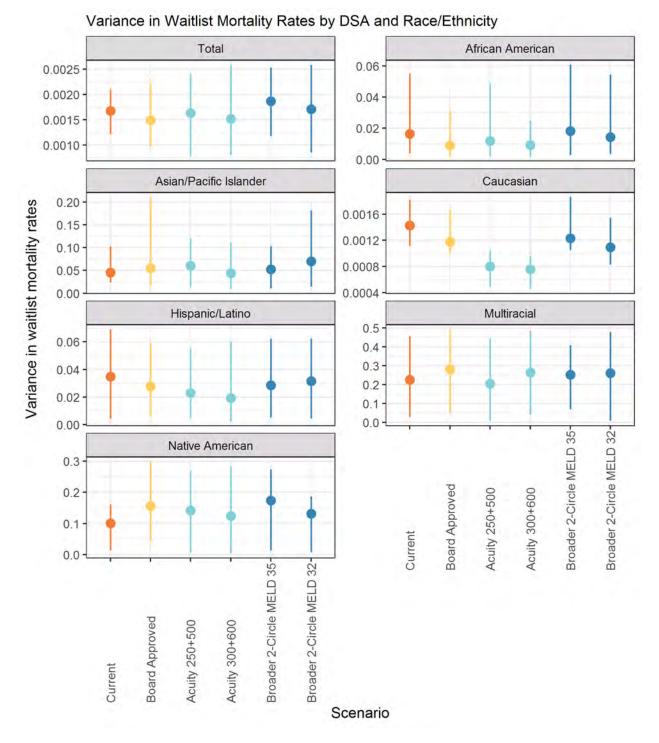
#### Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates



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*Figure 261 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and Sex. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Sex groups (0.3 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



*Figure 262 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and Race/Ethnicity. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Race/Ethnicity groups (2.1 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



## Posttransplant Mortality

#### **Posttransplant Mortality Rates**

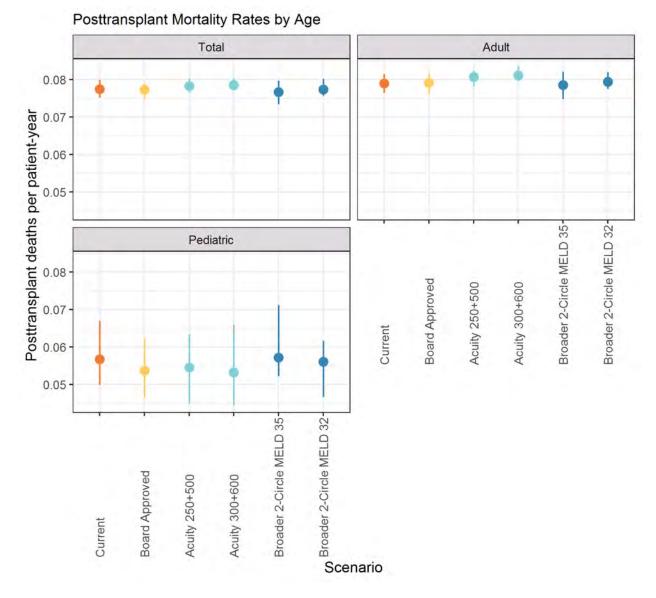


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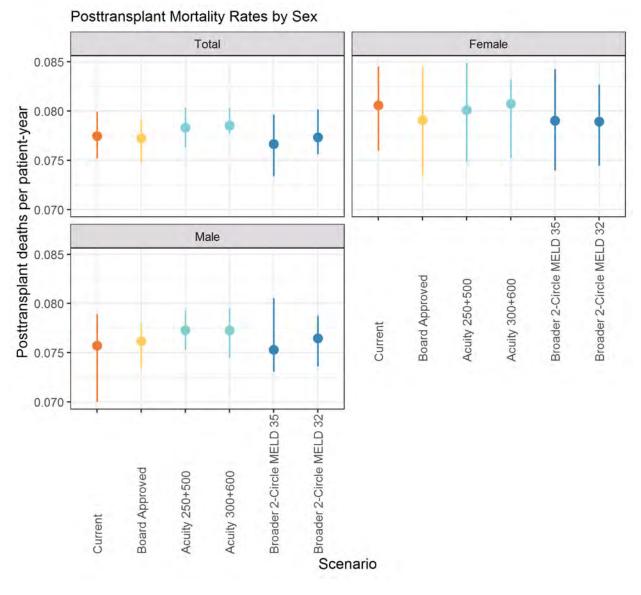


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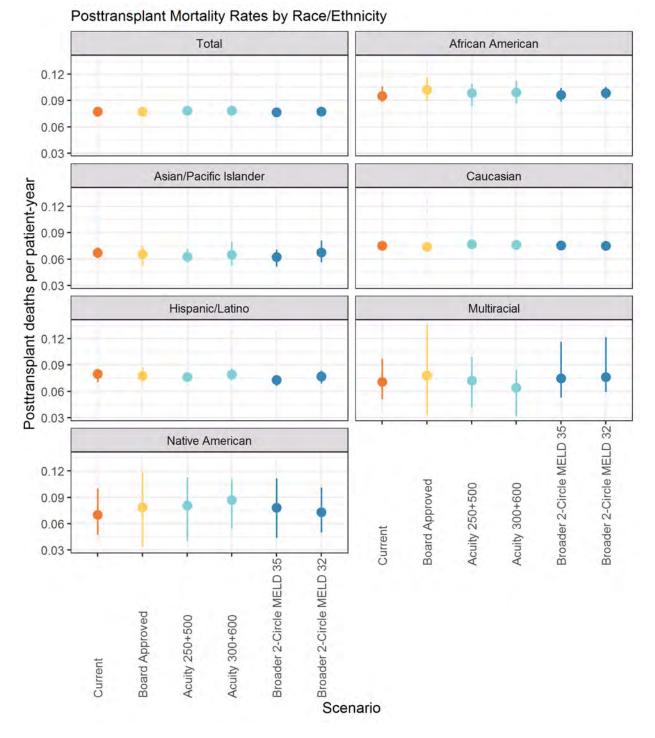


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## **Posttransplant Mortality Counts**

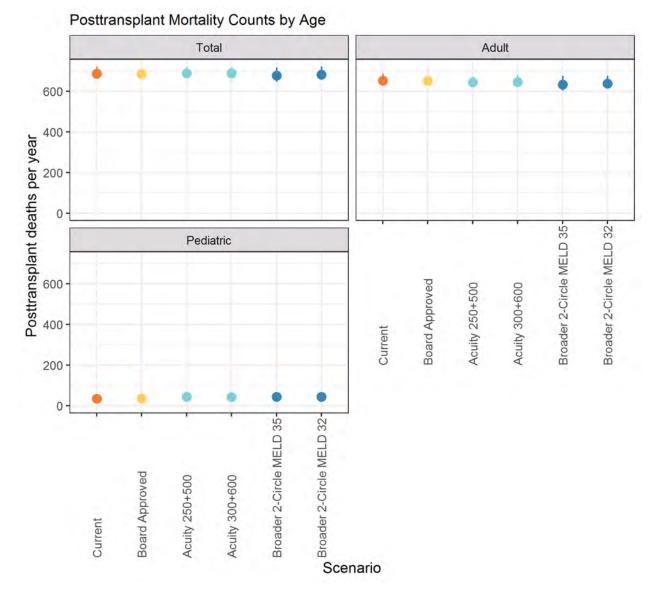


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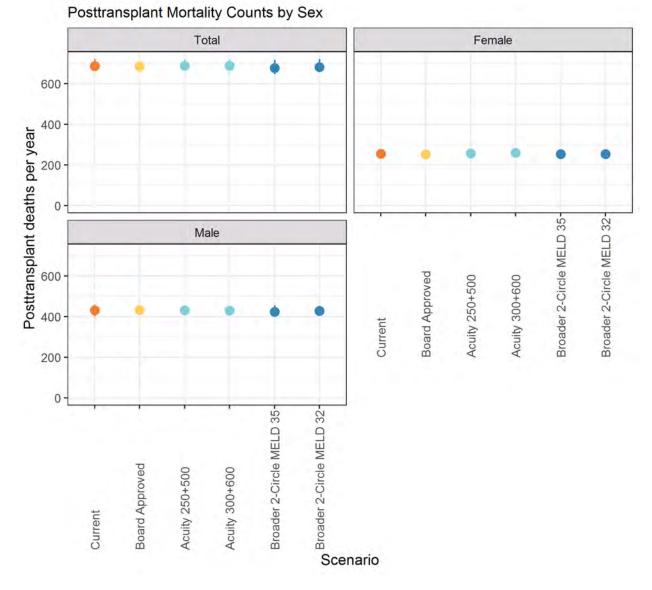


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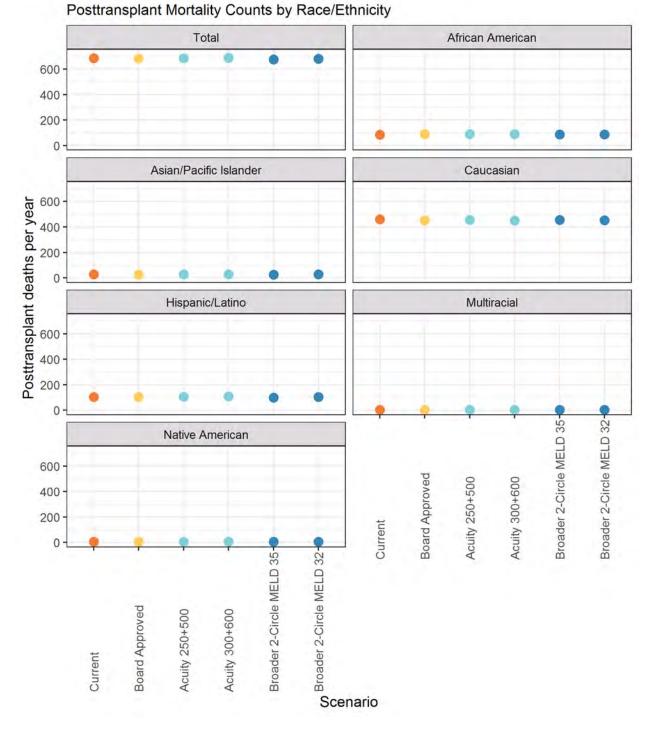


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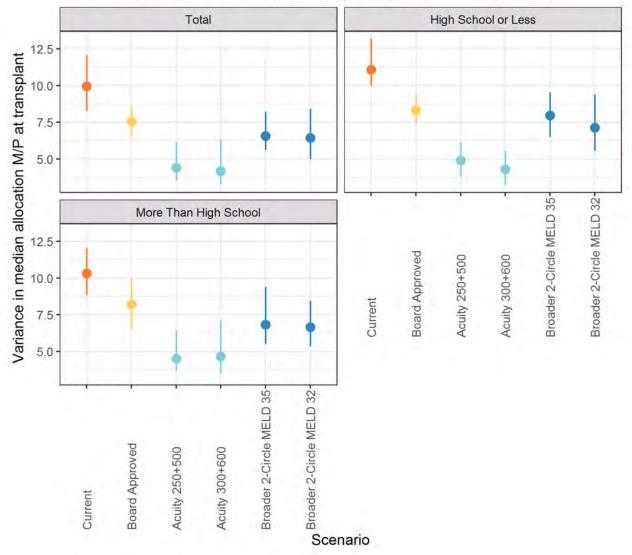


# Appendix C: Results by Education, Insurance, CCRS, and Urbanicity

Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

#### Variance in Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant









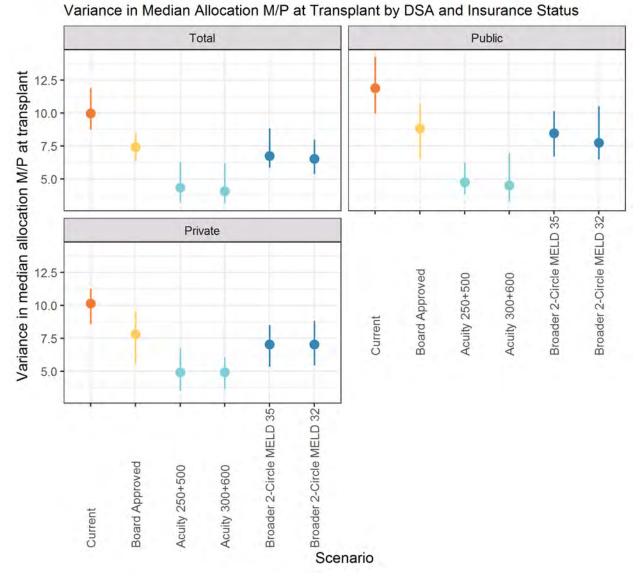
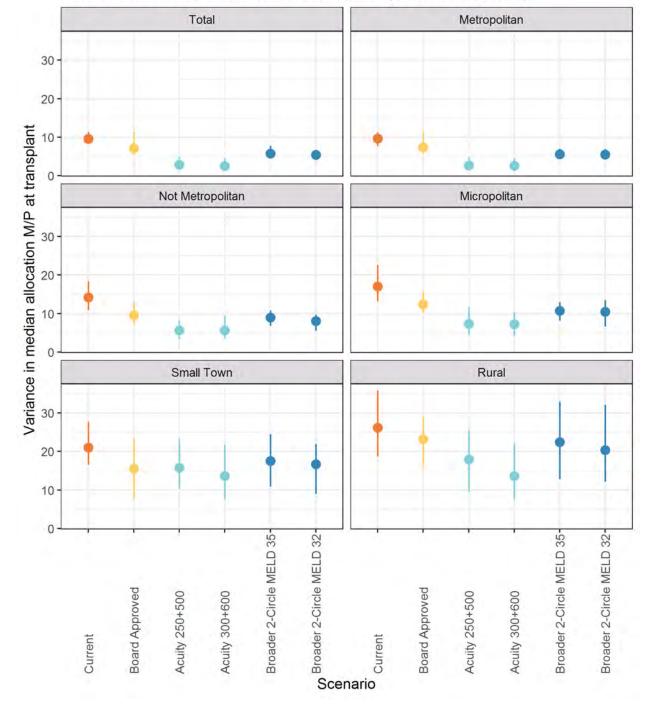


Figure 270 Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by DSA and Insurance Status

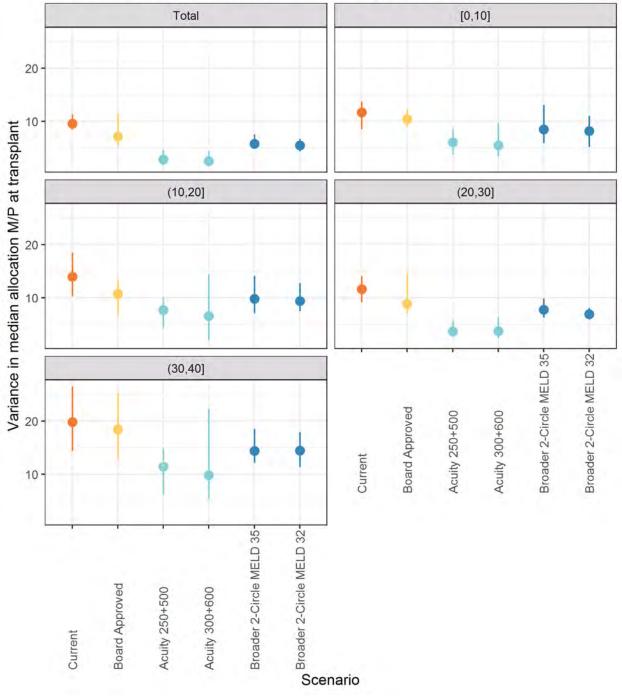




Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by DSA and Urbanicity

Figure 271 Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by DSA and Urbanicity





Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by DSA and CCRS

Figure 272 Variance in Median Allocation M/P at Transplant by DSA and CCRS



## Median Allocation MELD/PELD at Transplant

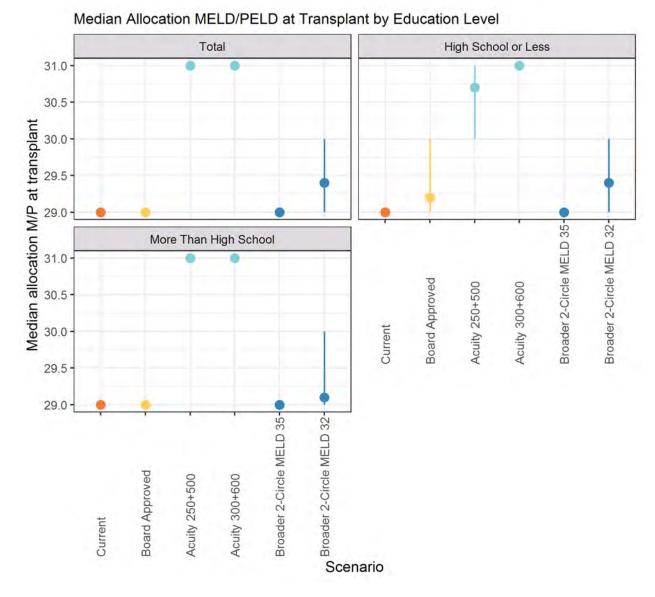


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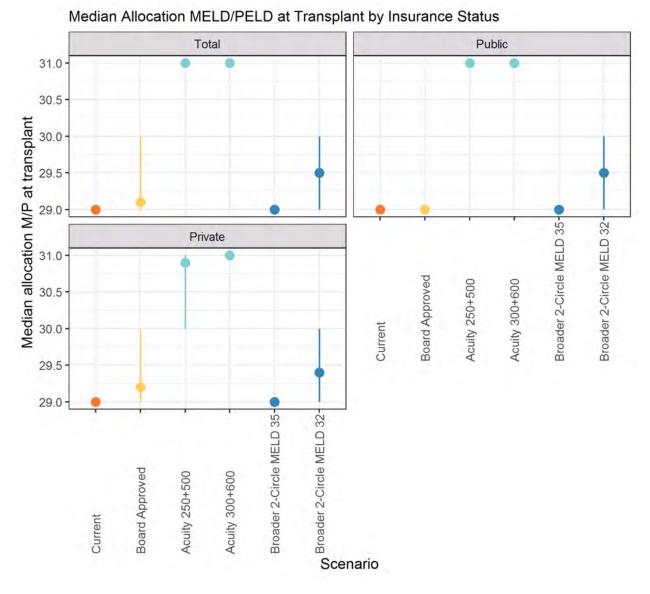


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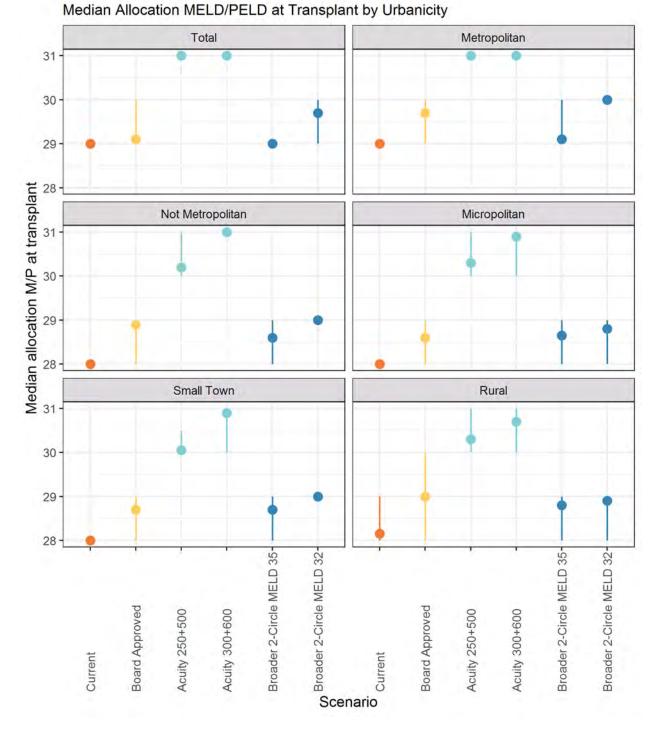


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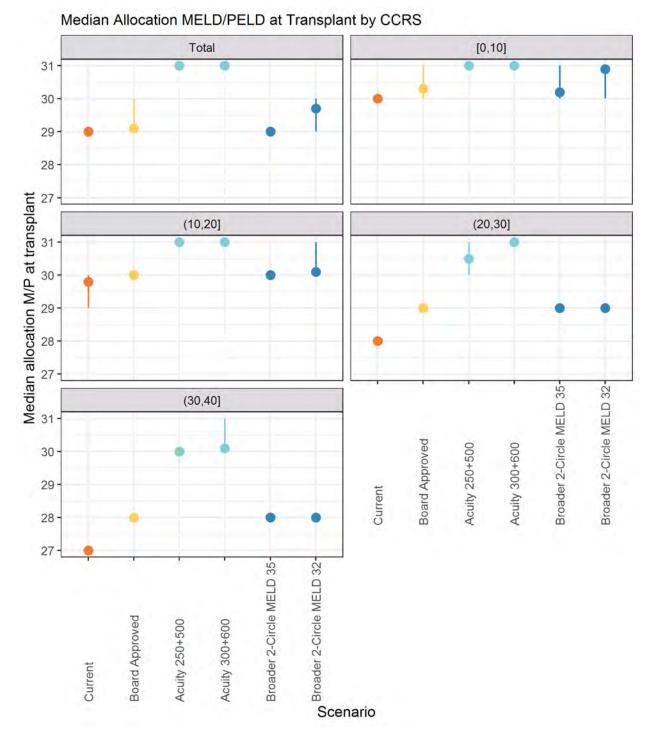


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# Transplant

#### **Transplant Rates**

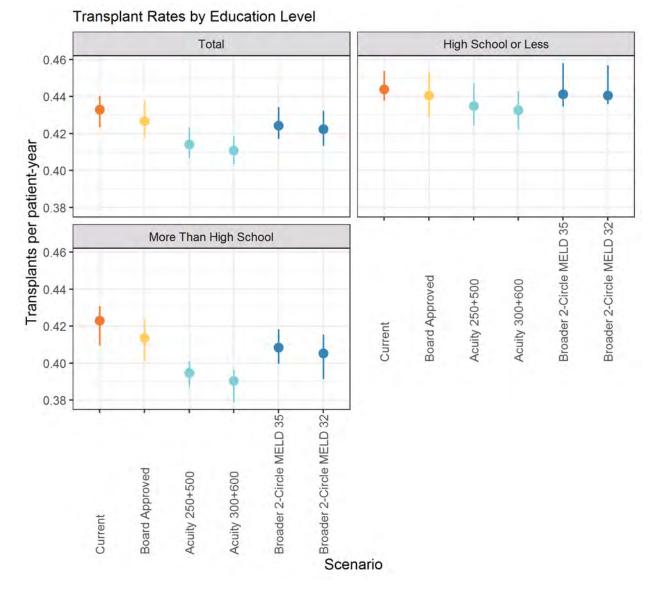
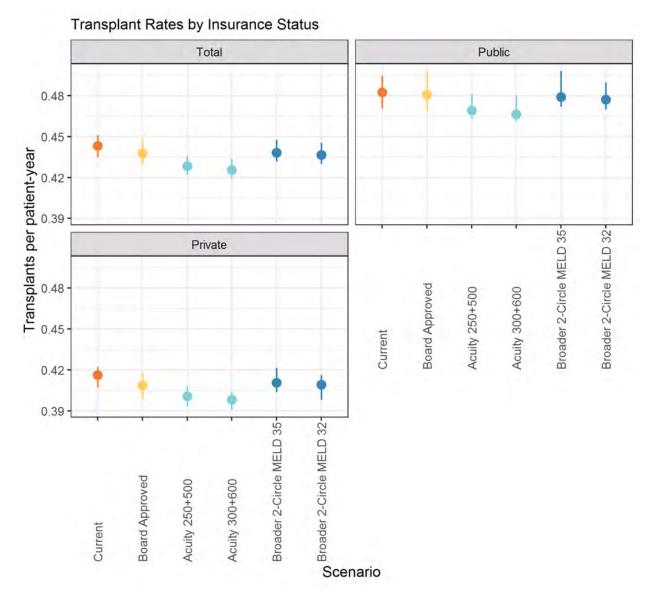


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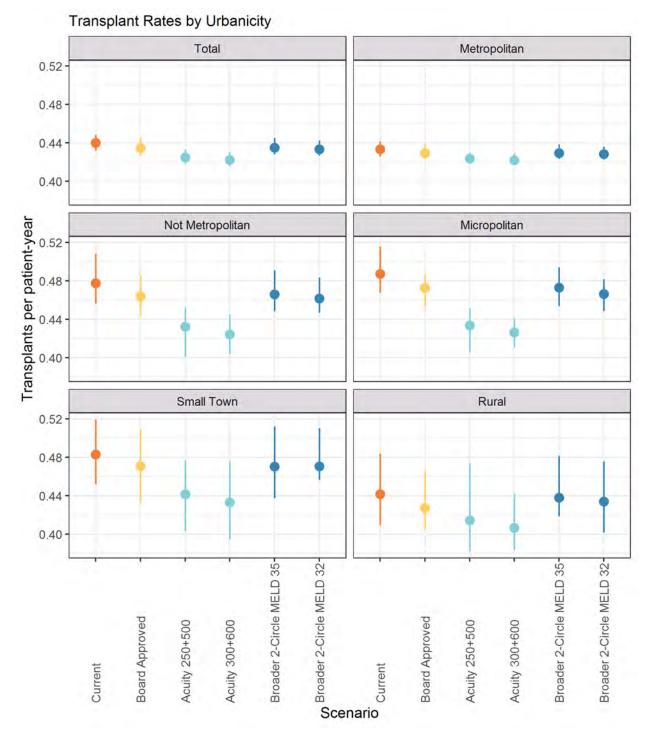
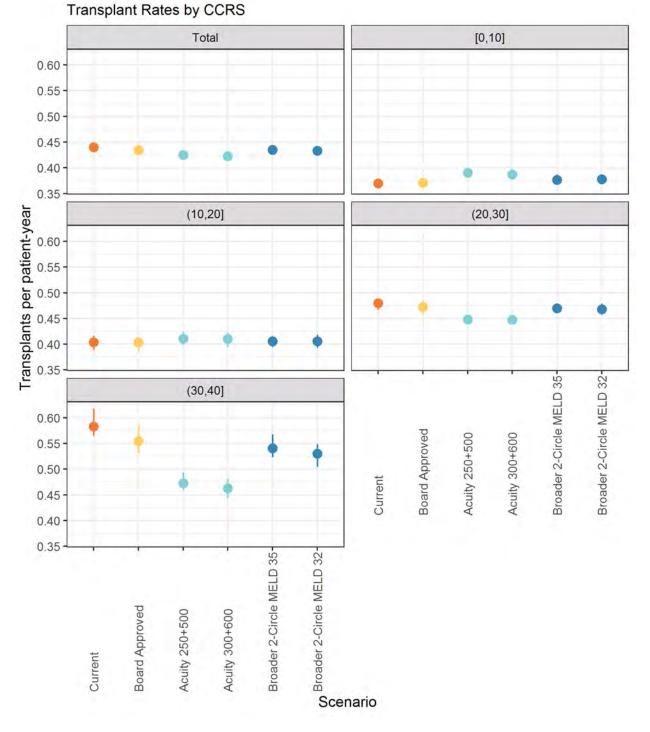


Figure 279 Transplant Rates by Urbanicity





*Figure 280 Transplant Rates by CCRS* 

## **Transplant Counts**

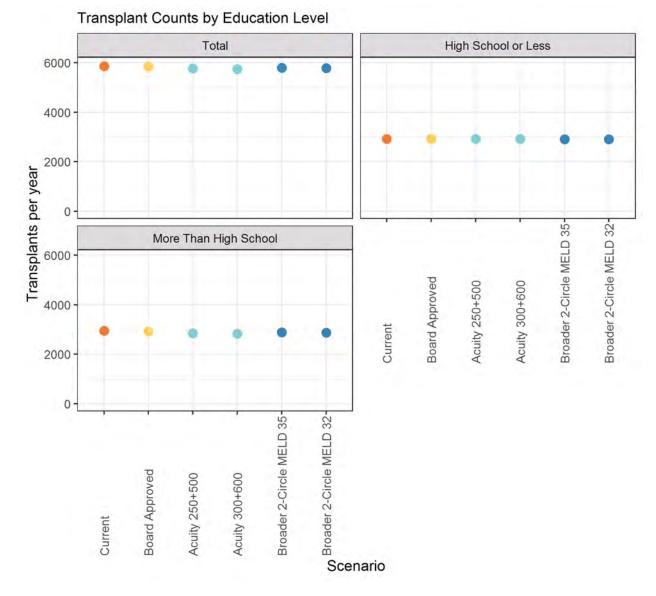


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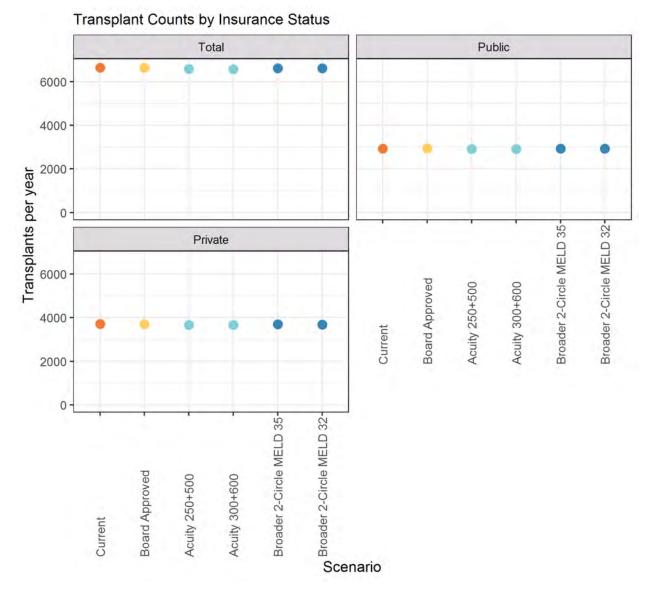


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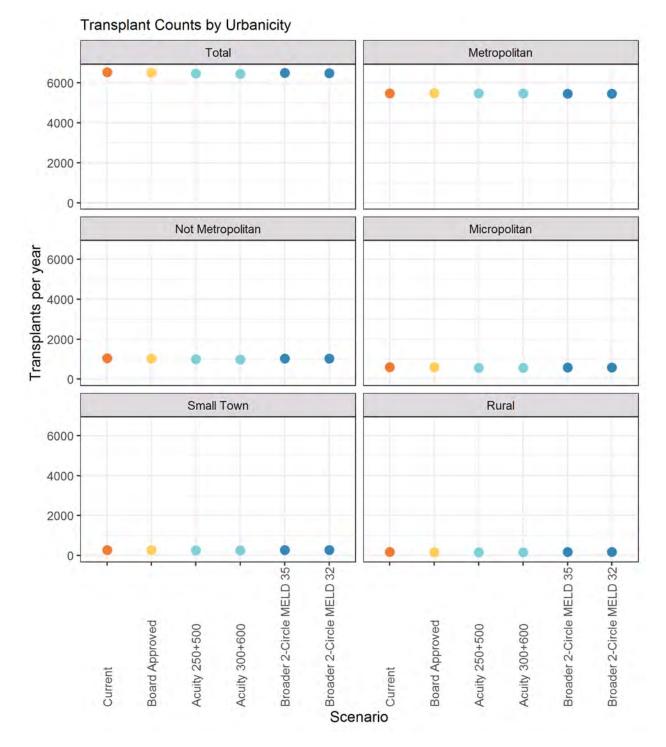
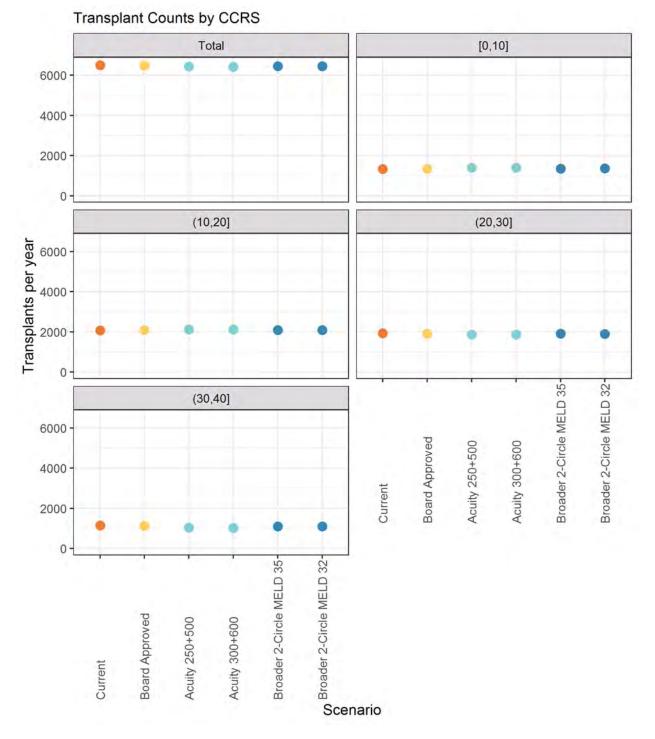


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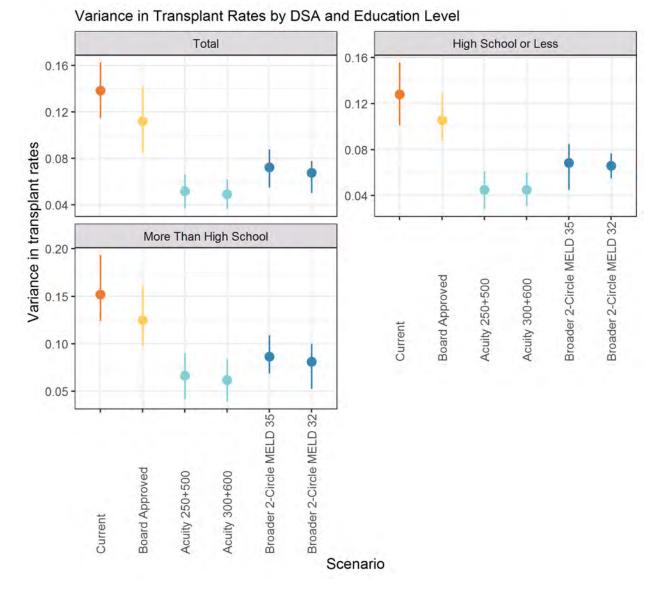




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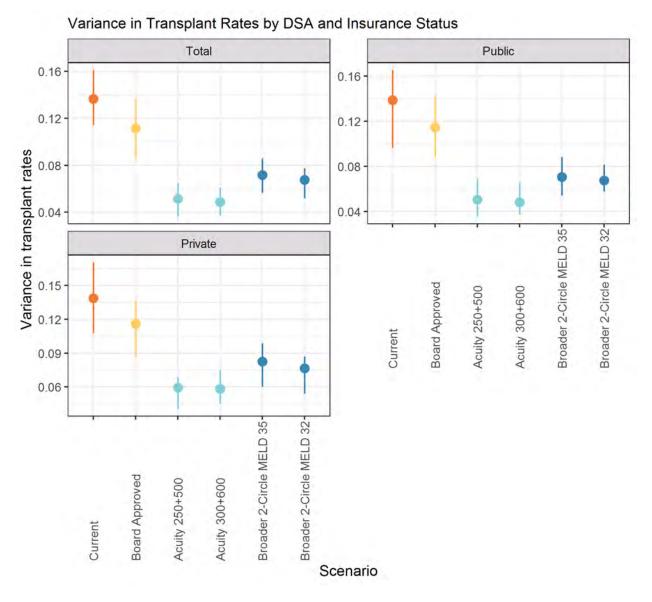


## Variance in Transplant Rates



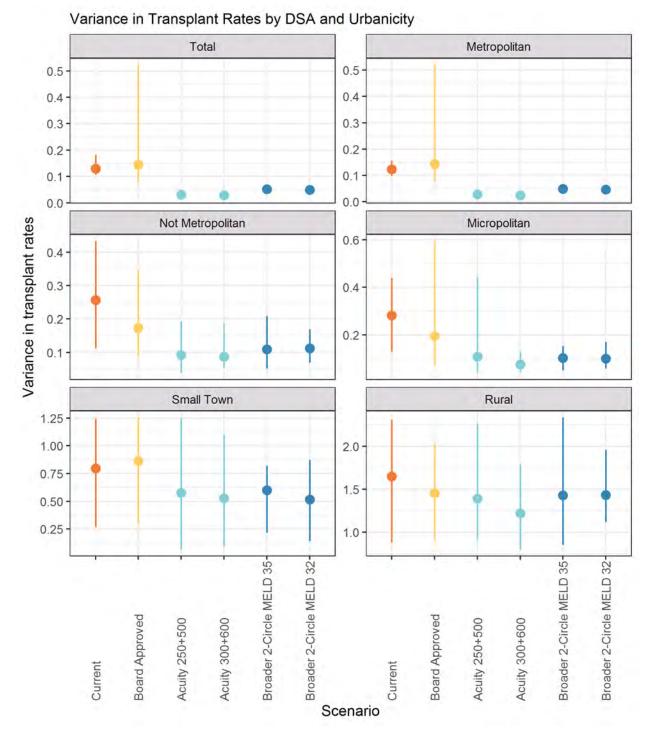
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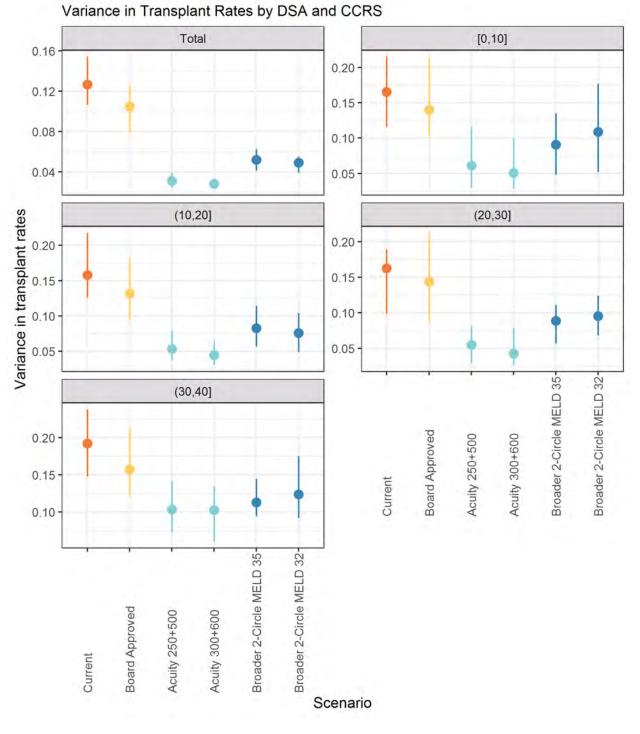




*Figure 287 Variance in Transplant Rates by DSA and Urbanicity. Transplant rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Urbanicity groups (15.7 transplants per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 

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*Figure 288 Variance in Transplant Rates by DSA and CCRS. Transplant rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and CCRS groups (5 transplants per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 

# Waitlist Mortality

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#### **Waitlist Mortality Rates**

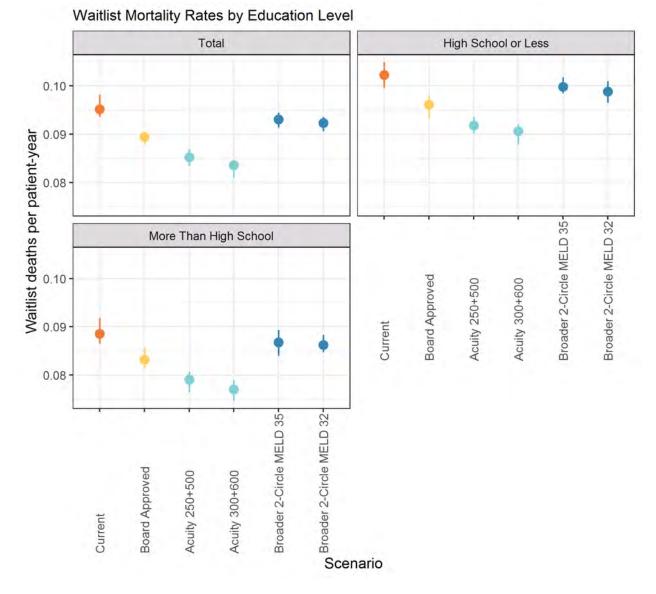


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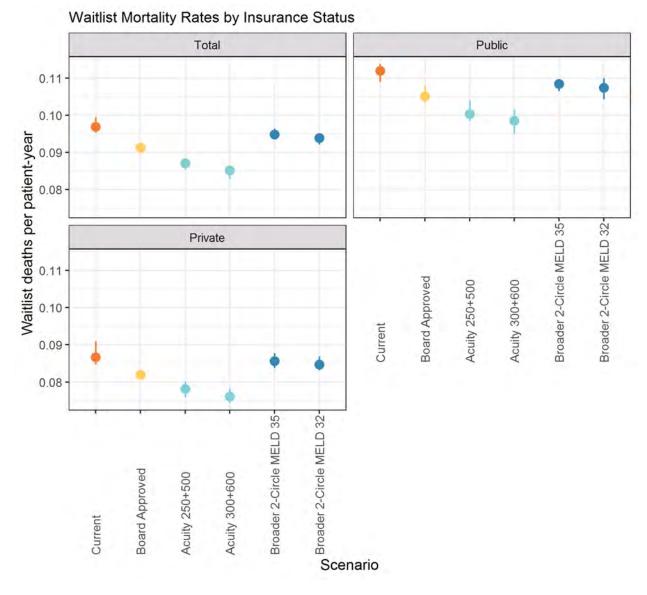


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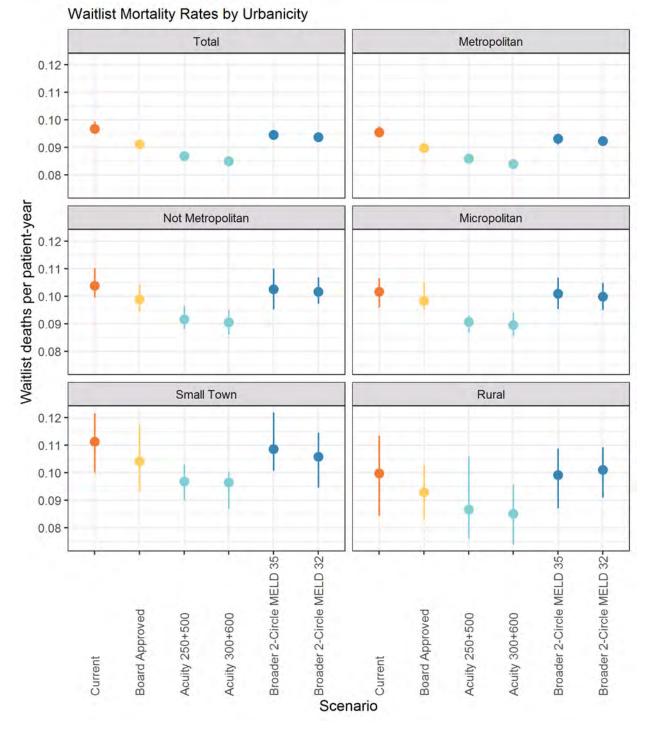


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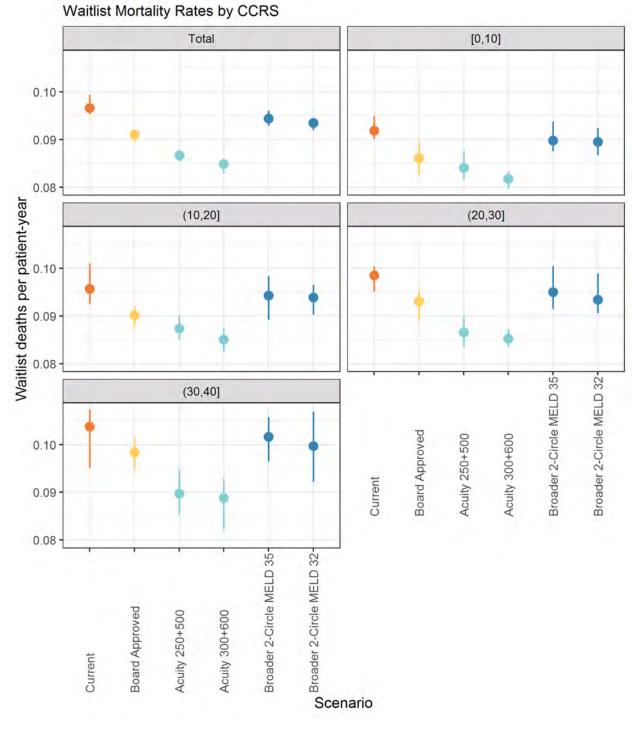


Figure 292 Waitlist Mortality Rates by CCRS



## **Waitlist Mortality Counts**

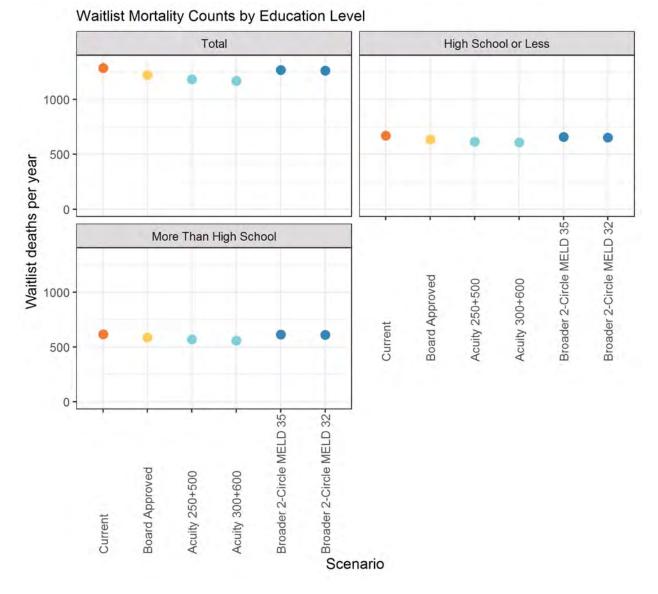


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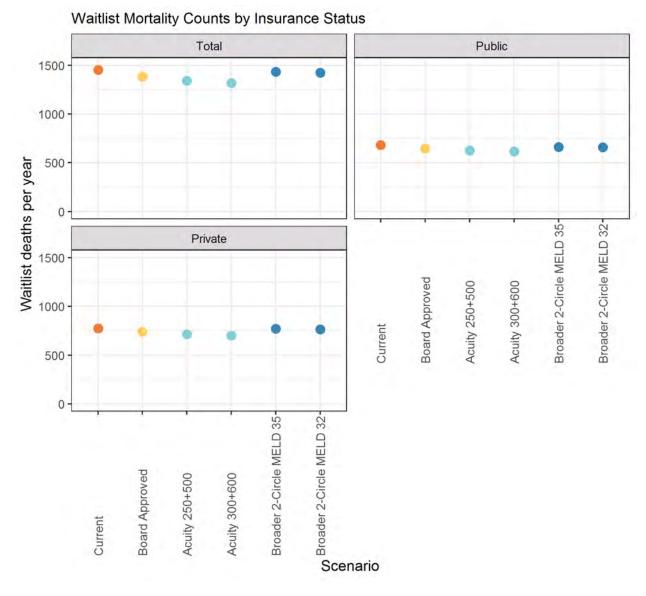


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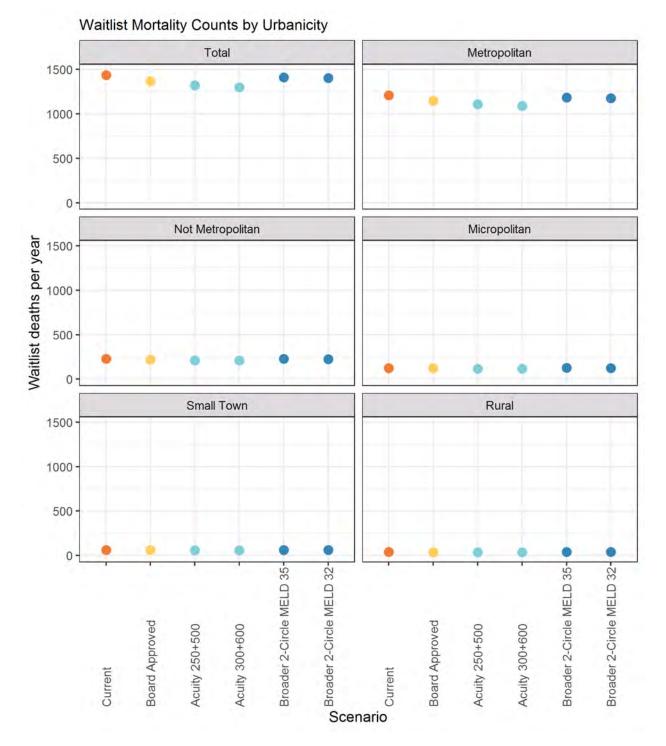


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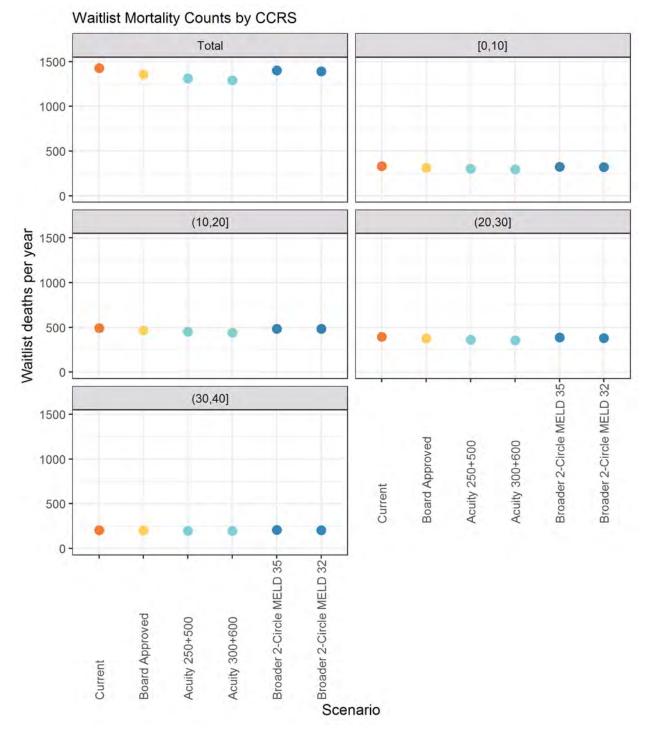
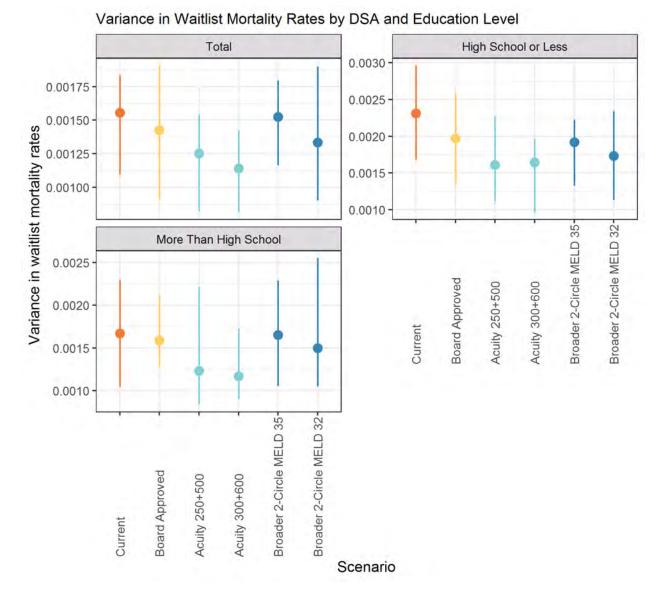


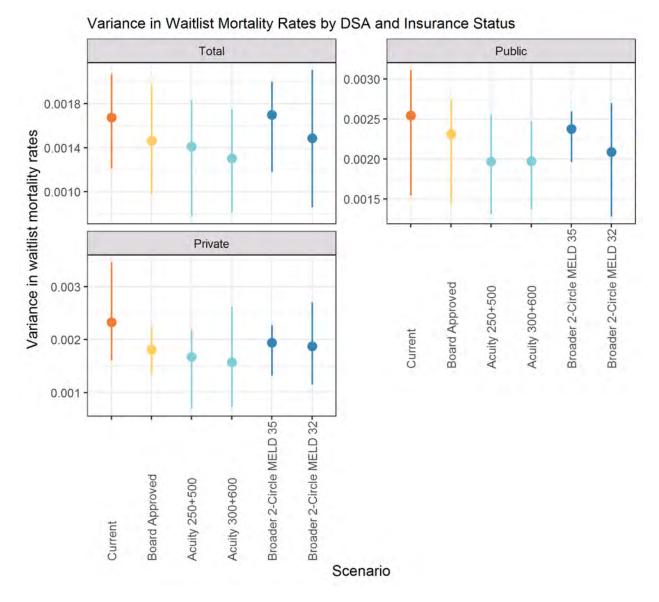
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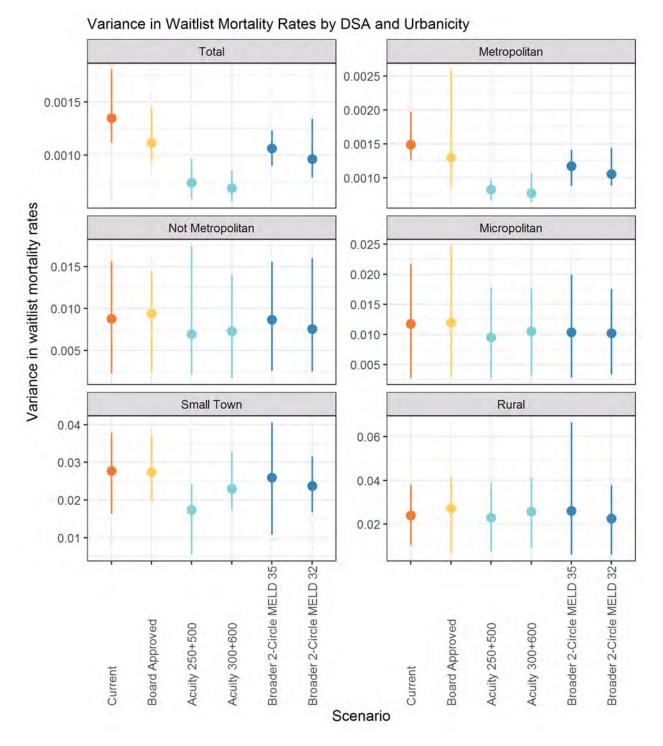




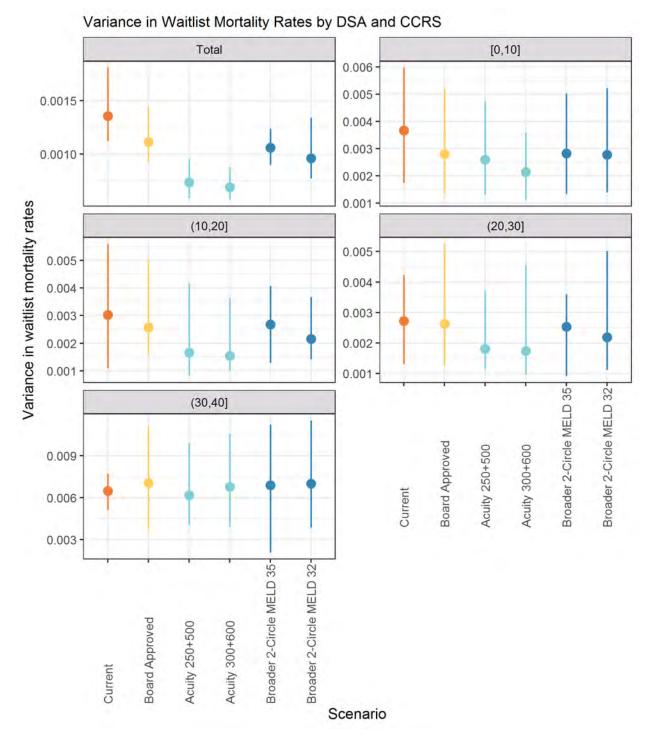
*Figure 297 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and Education Level. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Education Level groups (0.6 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



*Figure 298 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and Insurance Status. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Insurance Status groups (0.3 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



*Figure 299 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and Urbanicity. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and Urbanicity groups (1.7 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



*Figure 300 Variance in Waitlist Mortality Rates by DSA and CCRS. Waitlist mortality rates were capped at the 99th percentile of all DSA and CCRS groups (0.7 waitlist deaths per patient-year) before calculating the variance.* 



# Posttransplant Mortality

## **Posttransplant Mortality Rates**

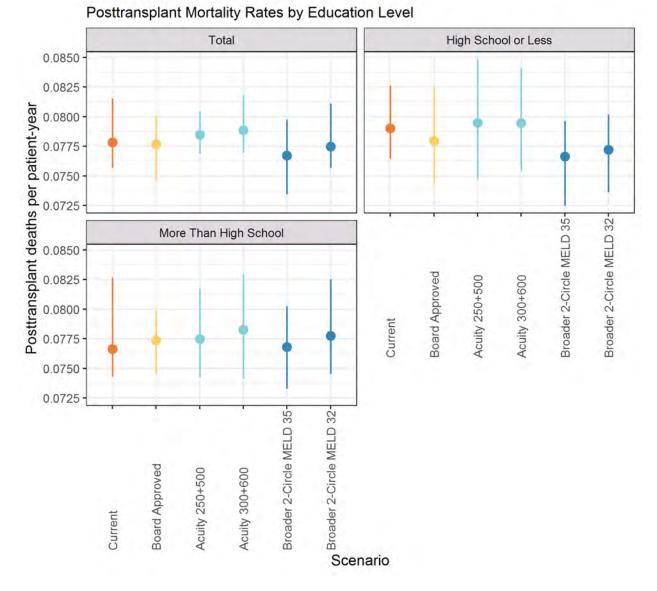


Figure 301 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Education Level

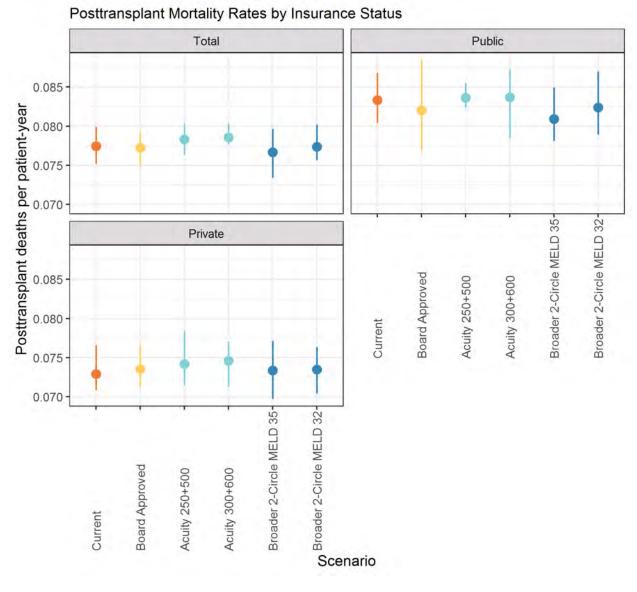


Figure 302 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by Insurance Status

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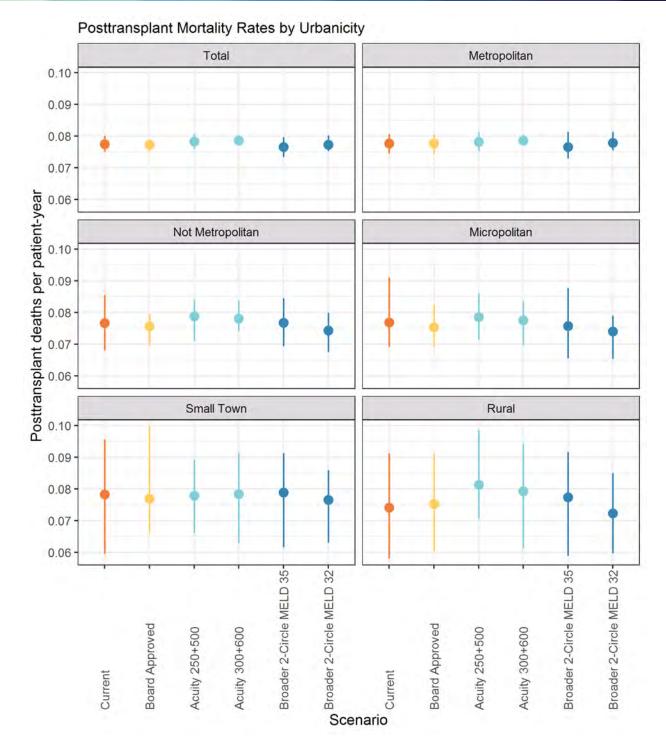


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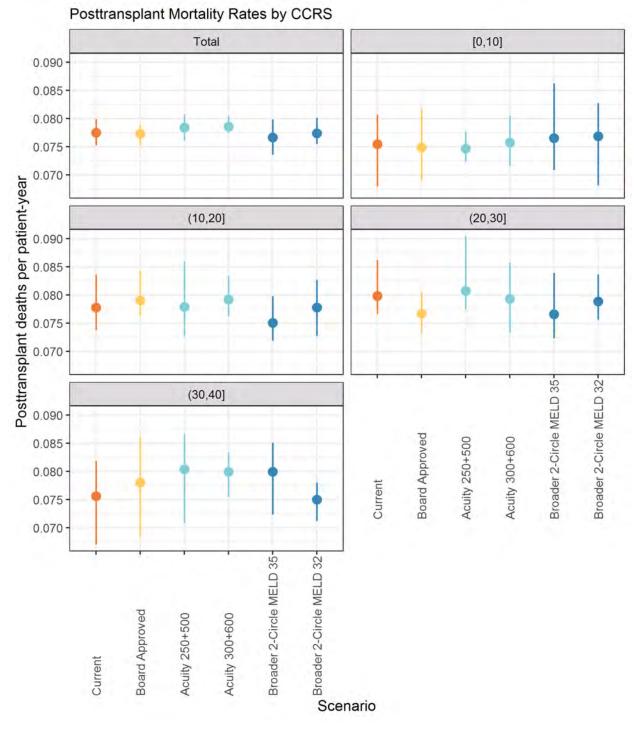


Figure 304 Posttransplant Mortality Rates by CCRS



# **Posttransplant Mortality Counts**

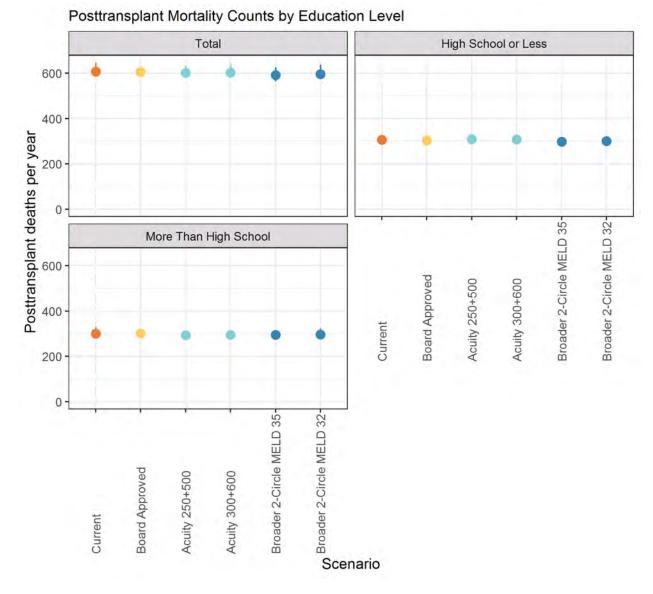


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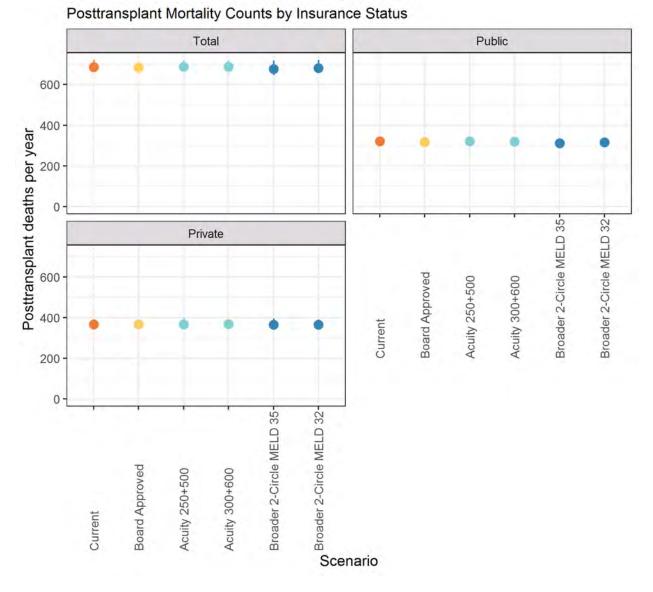


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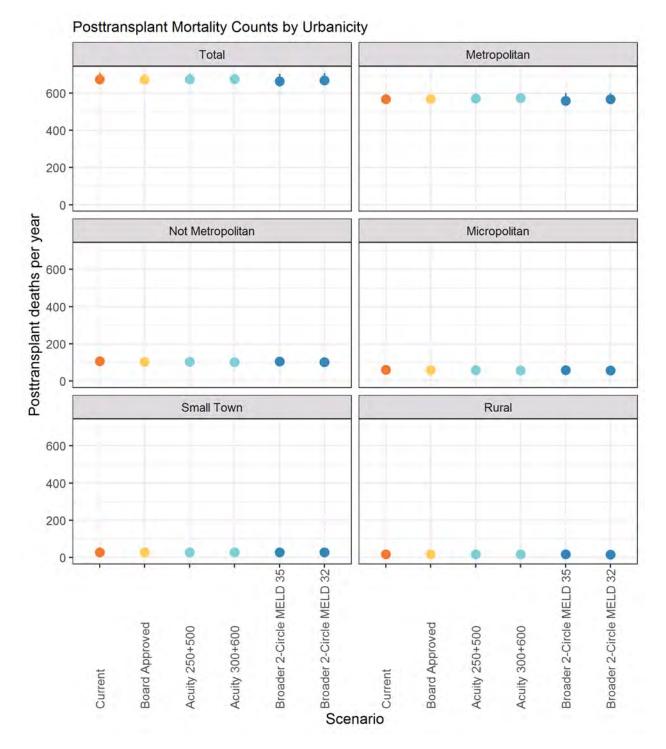


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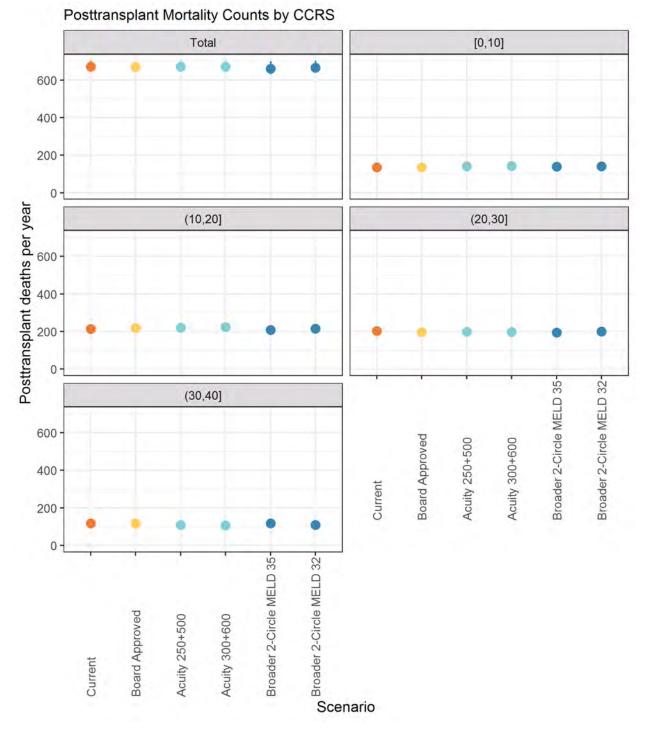


Figure 308 Posttransplant Mortality Counts by CCRS

# **Appendix D: Policy and Scientific Concepts**

This section provides a brief overview of policy concepts used in conversations regarding liver redistribution and in this report.

# Area of Distribution

Distribution indicates the geographic area within which available donor organs are distributed. For the current liver allocation policy organs are distributed within the DSA, the OPTN region, and nationally. See OPTN Policy 9.6.E - 9.6.G for more detail.

The scenarios being examined in this report allocate to three sizes of concentric circles (small, medium, large) around the donor's center and nationally.

## Allocation

Allocation indicates the process by which available donor organs are distributed. For liver transplant, organs are generally allocated by model for end-stage liver disease (MELD) and pediatric end-stage liver disease (PELD) scores and by blood type and waiting time. See OPTN Policy 9 for more detail.

#### Simulation modeling

One method used for policy evaluation is simulation modeling. Simulation modeling uses data and software to simulate the functioning of the nationwide liver transplant system. Patients are listed on the waiting list, donor organs arrive, and transplants occur, just as in real life. Policy conditions can be modified within the simulations, allowing us to examine the probable outcomes of various policy scenarios in a way that is close to real life without putting patients at risk.

The software tool that SRTR uses to conduct simulation modeling of the US liver transplant system is the liver simulated allocation model (LSAM). The LSAM is a discrete-event simulation of the liver allocation system, which simulates the allocation of donated livers to waitlisted candidates by drawing on historical patient data including candidate listing, candidate status changes, and organ donations.

# **Appendix E: Allocation Sequences**

#### Acuity Circles

The following allocation sequences are used for the 'Acuity Circles' allocation framework, with the two scenarios having different sized circles.

Scenario 3 radii:

- Small Circle: 150nm
- Medium Circle: 250nm
- Large Circle: 500nm

Scenario 4 radii:

- Small Circle: 150nm
- Medium Circle: 300nm
- Large Circle: 600nm

# Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors at Least 18 Years Old and Less than 70 Years Old:

- 1. Large Circle: Adult or pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 3. Small Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  37
- 4. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  37
- 5. Large Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  37
- 6. Small Circle: MELD/PELD in [33, 37)
- 7. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD in [33, 37)
- 8. Large Circle: MELD/PELD in [33, 37)
- 9. Small Circle: MELD/PELD in [29, 33)
- 10. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD in [29, 33)
- 11. Large Circle: MELD/PELD in [29, 33)
- 12. Small Circle: MELD/PELD in [15, 29)
- 13. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD in [15, 29)
- 14. Large Circle: MELD/PELD in [15, 29)
- 15. National: Adult or Pediatric Status 1A
- 16. National: Pediatric Status 1B
- 17. National: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 18. Small Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 19. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 20. Large Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 21. National: MELD/PELD < 15

# Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors 11 to 17 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Adult status 1A
- 3. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 4. Large Circle: Any PELD
- 5. Large Circle: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 6. Nation: Pediatric status 1A
- 7. Nation: Adult status 1A
- 8. Nation: Pediatric status 1B
- 9. Nation: Any PELD
- 10. Nation: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 11. Large Circle: Any MELD and at least 18 years old
- 12. Nation: Any MELD and at least 18 years old

# Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors Less than 11 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Nation: Pediatric status 1A and 0 to 11 years old
- 3. Large Circle: Adult status 1A
- 4. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 5. Large Circle: Any PELD

- 6. Large Circle: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 7. Nation: Pediatric status 1A and 12 to 17 years old
- 8. Nation: Adult status 1A
- 9. Nation: Pediatric status 1B and 0 to 17 years old
- 10. Nation: Any PELD
- 11. Nation: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 12. Large Circle: Any MELD and at least 18 years old
- 13. Nation: Any MELD and at least 18 years old

#### Allocation of Livers from DCD Donors or Donors at Least 70 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Adult or Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 3. Small Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 4. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 5. Large Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 6. Nation: Adult or Pediatric status 1A
- 7. Nation: Pediatric status 1B
- 8. Nation: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 9. Small Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 10. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 11. Large Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 12. Nation: MELD/PELD < 15

## **Broader 2-Circle Distribution**

The following allocation sequences are used for the 'Broader 2-Circle Distribution' allocation framework, with the two scenarios having different MELD/PELD sharing thresholds.

- Scenario 5 MELD/PELD Threshold: 35
- Scenario 6 MELD/PELD Threshold: 32

Scenario 5 & 6 radii:

- Small Circle: 150nm
- Medium Circle: 250nm
- Large Circle: 500nm

### Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors at Least 18 Years Old and Less than 70 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Adult or pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 3. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  THRESHOLD
- 4. Small Circle: MELD/PELD in [15, THRESHOLD)
- 5. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD in [15, THRESHOLD)
- 6. Large Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15

- 7. Nation: Adult or Pediatric Status 1A
- 8. Nation: Pediatric Status 1B
- 9. Nation: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 10. Small Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 11. Medium Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
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- 13. Nation: MELD/PELD < 15

#### Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors 11 to 17 Years Old

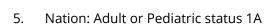
- 1. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Adult status 1A
- 3. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 4. Large Circle: Any PELD
- 5. Large Circle: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 6. Nation: Pediatric status 1A
- 7. Nation: Adult status 1A
- 8. Nation: Pediatric status 1B
- 9. Nation: Any PELD
- 10. Nation: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 11. Large Circle: Any MELD and at least 18 years old
- 12. Nation: Any MELD and at least 18 years old

#### Allocation of Livers from Non-DCD Deceased Donors Less than 11 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Nation: Pediatric status 1A and 0 to 11 years old
- 3. Large Circle: Adult status 1A
- 4. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 5. Large Circle: Any PELD
- 6. Large Circle: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 7. Nation: Pediatric status 1A and 12 to 17 years old
- 8. Nation: Adult status 1A
- 9. Nation: Pediatric status 1B and 0 to 17 years old
- 10. Nation: Any PELD
- 11. Nation: Any MELD and 12 to 17 years old
- 12. Large Circle: Any MELD and at least 18 years old
- 13. Nation: Any MELD and at least 18 years old

## Allocation of Livers from DCD Donors or Donors at Least 70 Years Old

- 1. Large Circle: Adult or Pediatric status 1A
- 2. Large Circle: Pediatric status 1B
- 3. Small Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 4. Large Circle: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15



- 6. Nation: Pediatric status 1B
- 7. Nation: MELD/PELD  $\geq$  15
- 8. Small Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 9. Large Circle: MELD/PELD < 15
- 10. Nation: MELD/PELD < 15