

OPTN/UNOS Membership and Professional Standards Committee (MPSC)
Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2018
Conference Call

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Introduction

The Membership and Professional Standards Committee met by conference call and GoToTraining on September 20, 2018, to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Member Related Actions
2. Review of Public Comment Proposal
3. Committee Actions

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

1. Member Related Actions

The Committee is charged with determining whether member clinical transplant programs, organ procurement organizations, histocompatibility laboratories, and non-institutional members meet and remain in compliance with membership criteria. During each meeting, it considers actions regarding the status of current members and new applicants.

The Committee reviewed and approved 13 changes in transplant program and living donor component personnel.

2. Review of Public Comment Proposals

The liaison for the Geography in Organ Allocation project presented the Frameworks for Organ Distribution proposal to the Committee. The three frameworks out for public comment are:

- Organ Distribution Based on Fixed Distance from the Donor Hospital
- Organ Distribution Based on Mathematical Optimization
- Continuous Organ Distribution, where there aren't any fixed geographic boundaries

Committee members asked questions and expressed concern or support for the various frameworks and the reasons behind the timing of the proposals, but the Committee itself did not recommend a particular framework.

3. Committee Actions

The Committee unanimously agreed that actions regarding Bylaws, Policy, and program-specific decisions made during the OPTN session would be accepted as UNOS actions.

RESOLVED, that the Committee accepts those program specific determinations made during the meeting as UNOS recommendations.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee also accepts the recommendations made relative to Bylaw and Policy changes.

The Committee voted 27 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention

Upcoming Meetings

- October 16-18, 2018, Chicago
- February 26-28, 2019, Chicago
- July 16-18, 2019, Chicago
- November 5-7, 2019, Chicago