

**OPTN Living Donor Committee
Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2019
Conference Call**

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Introduction

The OPTN Living Donor Committee (LDC) met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 9/11/2019 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Public Comment proposal Presentation: Thoracic Committee- *Continuous Distribution of Lungs*
2. Social Media (SoMe) Project Update
3. Cross- Committee Updates: Policy Oversight Committee (POC) & Vascularized Composite Allograft (VCA) Committee

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

1. Public Comment proposal Presentation: Thoracic Committee- *Continuous Distribution of Lungs.*

A member of the Thoracic Committee presented their concept paper titled, *Continuous Distribution of Lungs*.

Summary of discussion:

A committee member asked if allocation was based on points or categorization in addition to points. The presenter responded that currently the model is points based, but that there has been some conversation about including highly sensitized patients in the allocation score in the future.

Vote: 13% Strongly Support, 88% Support.

Next steps:

The LDC supported this proposal. Committee members were encouraged to follow up with any other questions and were asked to leave public comments on the OPTN website.

2. Social Media Project Update.

Members of the SoMe Workgroup gave an update on the LDC's Social Media Project progress.

Summary of discussion:

Workgroup members reported that the survey is open and each center should complete it. This member invited members of LDC to complete the survey for their center. Focus groups aim to begin analysis on responses in the upcoming weeks.

Next steps:

Members were reminded of their December 13 due date for the white paper. All LDC members were welcomed to participate in its construction.

3. Cross- Committee Updates: Policy Oversight Committee (POC) & Vascularized Composite Allograft (VCA) Committee

The LDC Vice-Chair and UNOS staff gave updates from the POC and VCA committee.

Summary of discussion:

POC is shifting business to policy priority themes: Continuous Distribution, more efficient donor/recipient matching to increase organ utilization, and improved equity for multi-organ and single organ candidates.

UNOS staff presented a potential new project that collaborates with VCA. This project would involve modifying the Living Donor Follow-up (LDF) form to include all living VCA donors and update Policy 14 to include living VCA donors. This collaboration would be more inclusive of uterine donors.

Next steps:

POC plans to present these policy priorities more formally and give LDC the opportunity to think on potential project ideas that align with these priorities.

UNOS staff plans to continue to investigate the possibilities for Living VCA Donors project through interdepartmental work.

Upcoming Meeting(s)

- October 2, 1-2pm EDT (teleconference)
- October 28, Chicago (In- person)