Introduction

The subcommittee met via Citrix GoToMeeting on 10/8/2019 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Efficient candidate/donor matching to increase organ utilization

The following is a summary of the subcommittee’s discussions.

1. Efficient candidate/donor matching to increase organ utilization

Summary of discussion:

The Chair informed the subcommittee that the OPTN Executive Committee met earlier in the day and endorsed the three strategic policy priorities recommended by the POC.

The committee then discussed and agreed upon four categories to organize the potential projects in this strategic policy priority:

- Facilitated placement
- Matching criteria
- Enhanced screening
- Offer system.

The subcommittee also discussed some potential projects and the need for the entire POC to be involved in prioritizing the projects. Finally, the subcommittee clarified that this workgroup is focused on increasing utilization through better matching of donors and candidates as opposed to general education about the ability for any member to use underutilized organs.

Next steps:

As the committees brainstorm new project ideas this month, staff will organize the ideas into the above four categories and provide information to this workgroup to review. Staff will also analyze the current policies and projects related to facilitated placement to better educate the workgroup about these efforts.

Upcoming Meeting

- October 25