Introduction
The OPTN Minority Affairs Committee (the Committee) met by teleconference on October 21, 2019 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Brief Overview of Socio-economic Status (SES) Project
2. Update on Decisions Made at In-Person
3. Feedback from DAC
4. Discussion on Potential Data Elements

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

1. **Brief Overview of SES Project**
   UNOS staff reviewed the current status of the SES project.
   
   **Summary of discussion:**
   None.
   
   **Next Steps:**
   The committee moved on to an update from their in-person meeting.

2. **Update on Decisions Made at In-Person**
   The MAC selected two fields to add to the Transplant Candidate Registry (TCR) form.
   
   1. Household Income
   2. Household Size
   
   **Summary of discussion:**
   None.
   
   **Next steps:**
   The MAC then heard from a stakeholder from the Data Advisory Committee (DAC).

3. **Feedback from DAC**
   A representative from the DAC gave their feedback on household size and household income as new data fields.
   
   **Summary of discussion:**
   The member of DAC gave the following feedback:
• These data are sensitive and can be challenging to obtain from vulnerable populations.
• Asked the Committee if the proposed data are collected elsewhere and if transplant staff will be expected to collect this information if it is not.
• Reported that it is important to frame why the data is being collected and the impact it will have.
• Suggested to the Committee that as new fields are proposed and added to forms, old data fields should be retired to decrease the data burden for transplant administrators.
• Asked how the Committee planned to ensure the validity of collected data.
• Advised the Committee that the data collected can be used for more than stating if a transplant candidate is above or below the federal poverty Guideline (FPG).
• Asked for detailed examples of how the data would be used.

Next steps:
The Committee will consider this feedback and seek answers to these questions.

4. Discussion on Potential Data Elements

The MAC also heard from stakeholders from the Transplant Administrators Committee (TAC) and the Association of Transplant Social Workers (STSW).

Summary of discussion:

These stakeholders gave the following feedback:
• Reported that income can change overtime and as a list patient becomes more ill.
• Asked if the committee would account for multiple generations residing in one household.
• Advised that candidates might be weary of how their information is being used.
• Suggested the development of a training on how to obtain this information and explain its importance.
• Reported that the Committee would likely hear about data burden from other stakeholders

Next steps:
The Committee will consider this feedback and seek answers to these questions.

Upcoming Meeting(s)
• November 18, 2019 (teleconference)
• December 16, 2019 (teleconference)
• January 20, 2019 (teleconference)

Attendance
• Committee Members
  o Vonzie Barnett
  o Amishi Desai
  o Okechukwu Ojogho
  o Oyedolamu Olaitan
  o Tahuanty Pena
  o Tanjala Purnell
  o Sylvia Rosas
  o Richard Ruiz
  o Oscar Serrano
- Christopher Jones
- Paulo Martins
- William Freeman

- HRSA Representatives
  - Emily Anozie
  - Janet Kuramoto-Crawford

- UNOS Staff
  - Darren Di Battista
  - Kelley Poff
  - Kim Uccellini
  - Ross Walton
  - Anne Zehner
  - Sarah Moriarty

- Other Attendees
  - Molly Dugan
  - Jason Huff
  - Jesse Schold