

**OPTN Policy Oversight Committee
Efficient Matching Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2019**

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Introduction

The subcommittee met via Citrix GoToMeeting on 10/25/2019 to discuss the following agenda items:

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

Summary of Presentation

- The subcommittee's focus is on mechanisms for more efficient matching to decrease the time from offer to match and ultimately to increase utilization of available organs.
- The subcommittee received a presentation on potential projects for this strategic policy priority. The projects were grouped into policy projects and non-policy projects (for example, education, guidance, system improvements, and improvement projects). These included project ideas submitted by committees, discussed by the Systems Performance Committee (SPC), discussed in the literature, or recommended by staff.
- Good policy projects for this strategic policy priority typically 1) cross all/most organs; 2) provide a template for decisions that could be developed based on past projects; and 3) change system function based on center behavior.
- Good non-policy projects for this strategic policy priority typically 1) are more likely to be education, guidance, or improvement projects; 2) cross all/most organ types; and 3) change transplant program or OPO behavior. The subcommittee received information about screening enhancements and offer system enhancements.

Summary of discussion:

- The subcommittee discussed the potential policy and non-policy projects. They requested more information about some of the specific projects, specifically the kidney accelerated placement (KAP) project.
- The subcommittee discussed all of the projects along three themes: dynamic match sequencing; transplant program screening; and offer/acceptance mechanics. The subcommittee then discussed the need to coordinate the sequencing of the policy and non-policy projects.

Next steps:

- The chair will present a summary of the subcommittee's discussions and recommendations to the full Policy Oversight Committee (POC) at their in-person meeting.

Upcoming Meeting

- October 30, In-person POC meeting.