

**OPTN Living Donor Committee
Meeting Summary
March 11, 2020
Conference Call**

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Introduction

The Living Donor Committee met via Citrix GoToTraining teleconference on 03/11/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. VCA Committee Proposal Presentation
2. Report out on Operations and Safety Committee Proposals
3. Lung Continuous Distribution Exercise
4. Living Donor Committee VCA Project Update
5. Open Forum

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

1. VCA Committee Proposal Presentation

The Committee received a presentation on the two VCA Committee items out for public comment, the *Update to VCA Transplant Outcomes Data Collection* proposal and the *Measuring Transplant Outcomes by Collecting Data on Children Born to Uterus Recipients* request for feedback.

Summary of Discussion:

Regarding the Update to VCA Transplant Outcomes Data Collection proposal, some committee members suggested the VCA Committee consider making sure there is consistency among reporting of different VCA organ types when possible. Committee members also noted there may need to be some unique criteria recorded for different organ types such as uterus.

Regarding the *Measuring Transplant Outcomes by Collecting Data on Children Born to Uterus Recipients* request for feedback, committee members encouraged the VCA Committee to consider incorporating information that is already collected by pediatricians so as not to duplicate information gathering.

Sentiment Vote

VCA Committee: Update to VCA Transplant Outcomes Data Collection

Strongly Support – 7, Support - 4, Neutral/Abstain - 0, Oppose - 1, Strongly Oppose - 0

2. Report out on Operations and Safety Committee Proposals

During the last committee meeting, some committee members volunteered to review the two Operations and Safety Committee items out for public comment, the *Modify Blood Type Determination and Reporting Policies* proposal and the *Guidance on Blood Type Determination* guidance document. The committee volunteers reported they reviewed the documents and did not have any substantial feedback or concerns. The Committee is supportive of the Operations and Safety Committee's efforts to align policy language for living donors.

3. Lung Continuous Distribution Exercise

The Committee received an introductory presentation on Continuous Distribution, the Analytic Hierarchy Process (AHP) software, and the project plan for Lung Continuous Distribution.

Summary of Discussion:

A committee member asked how the Lung Committee will account for cost associated with costs of travel depending on location. The Lung Committee is evaluating and reviewing literature and working with OPOs and Hospitals to collect information to inform that rating scale.

Next Steps

Committee members will be receiving invitations to participate in the AHP exercise. The Lung Committee will be using compiled data to develop a continuous distribution proposal to go out for future Public Comment.

4. Living Donor Committee VCA Project Update

Committee members were informed the Living Donor Committee's project to update Policy 14 to include living VCA donors has been approved by both the Policy Oversight Committee and Executive Committee. The Workgroup has been finalized and will have their first meeting to set goals and a project plan. There will continue to be project check-ins during the Committee meetings going forward.

5. Open Forum

The Committee was reminded the in-person committee meeting is scheduled for April 20 in Chicago. A decision has not been made on whether the meeting will be changed to a virtual meeting due to COVID-19 as of the date of the call. Committee members were asked to contact staff if they know they will not be able to attend due to travel restriction.

Upcoming Meetings

- April 8 – Teleconference
- April 20 – Virtual Meeting