

**OPTN Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) Committee
Cross Organ Rules Workgroup
Meeting Summary
March 11, 2020
Conference Call**

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Introduction

The Cross Organ Rules Workgroup (the Workgroup) met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 3/11/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Review of Charge and Approach
2. Notification Limits for Heart and Lung Offers
3. Next Steps

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

1. Review and Discuss Approach

UNOS Information Technology (IT) staff provided an overview of history and charge for this workgroup.

Summary of discussion:

The Workgroup will assist UNOS Information Technology Staff with determining what cross-organ rule tenets the OPTN should be operating under, and use these standards to develop one consistent, streamlined approach across all organs and match types for definitions around Notification Limits (NL), Contact Management (CM), and Donor Acceptance Criteria (AC).

The Workgroup will continue to review the current rules and gather feedback on establishing principles that can serve as a framework for all organ types.

2. Notification Limits

Summary of discussion:

The Workgroup reached agreement on which candidates would fall under the OPO defined "local" notification limits for heart and lung match runs. These changes will provide OPOs with the necessary flexibility to make informed decisions about how broadly initial notifications need to be sent in order to ensure efficient organ placement activities.

Shown below is a summary, by match organ type, of the candidates that will fall under the OPO defined "local" limits. The Workgroup members discussed eliminating DSA from the definition of local. However, in order to allow for a transition phase and be less disruptive, the Workgroup agreed with the plan to keep the current local definition as DSA and simply extend it further based on classifications. UNOS staff noted that this would be revisited in future discussions around how the DSA is used in any system features.

- Adult Heart
 - DSA
 - Plus all candidates listed at programs within 250 NM

- Plus all Adult Status 1 candidates listed at programs within 1000 NM
- Plus all Adult Status 2 candidates listed at programs within 500 NM
- Pediatric Heart
 - DSA
 - Plus all candidates listed at programs within 250 NM
 - Plus all Adult Status 1 candidates listed at programs within 500 NM
 - Plus all Adult Status 2 candidates listed at programs within 500 NM
 - Plus all Pediatric Status 1A/1B candidates listed at programs within 500 NM
- Adult Lung
 - DSA
 - Plus all candidates listed at programs within 1000 NM
- Pediatric Lung
 - DSA
 - Plus all candidates listed at programs within 1000 NM

Next Steps

UNOS IT staff will summarize these recommendations and distribute them to the Workgroup members for review.

3. Next Steps

The Workgroup will address the notification limits for kidney, pancreas, and intestine during their next conference call. Time permitting; the Workgroup will also begin discussions on the acceptance criteria for all organs.

Upcoming Meeting

- April 2, 2020 (Teleconference)