Introduction

The Vascular Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee (the Committee) met via Citrix GoToTraining teleconference on 05/19/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Discuss whether to add the SF-12 to the TRR and TRF for uterus

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

1. Discuss whether to add the SF-12 to the TRR and TRF for uterus

The Committee discussed the “Update to VCA Transplant Outcomes Data” proposal. The discussion focused on potential changes to the Transplant Recipient Registration (TRR) and Transplant Recipient Follow-up (TRF) data collection instruments based on concerns expressed during the Board Policy Group (BPG) meeting held on 05/15/2020. Two BPG members stated that they were undecided on the proposal and one member spoke up twice on concerns over not having the SF-12 on the uterus forms to capture issues such as postpartum depression.

Summary of discussion:

The Committee addressed the concerns expressed during the BPG. Members agreed that the addition of a psychosocial assessment to the TRR and TRF for uterus was a reasonable request. A member commented that the SF-12 could be added to the forms now so that the Committee can monitor the data collected based on this assessment, and remove it in the future if it is not providing valuable information. A member asked if a psychological test that is more specific to uterus should be used instead of the SF-12. The Committee found this suggestion interesting, but no members expressed knowledge of an alternative test that fit this description. UNOS staff asked Committee members to vote through GoToTraining on the following question:

“Do you support adding the SF-12 to the TRR and TRF for uterus?”

100% of members who responded to the poll (n= 10) voted yes.

Members also agreed that the SF-12 results should be documented on the TRR and TRF as physical and mental health scores.

Next steps:
The “Update to VCA Transplant Outcomes Data” proposal will be updated to reflect the decisions made by the VCA Committee during this meeting. The proposal will go before the Board of Directors for a vote on June 8, 2020.

Upcoming Meeting

- June 10, 2020