OPTN Pediatric Transplantation Committee
Meeting Summary
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Conference Call

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Introduction
The OPTN Pediatric Transplantation Committee (the Committee) met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 07/15/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Committee Orientation
2. Committee Charge and Introduction
3. Introduction to UNOS Research Department
4. Work Group and Project Updates

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

1. Committee Orientation
New Committee members heard an orientation presentation. This presentation discussed OPTN structure, current Committee projects, and member responsibilities.

Summary of discussion:
A member confirmed that there would be a teleconference option for the upcoming committee meeting in October.

2. Committee Charge and Introduction
Members reviewed the Pediatric Transplantation Committee’s charge.

Summary of discussion:
There was no discussion.

3. Introduction to UNOS Research Department
The Committee heard a presentation from the UNOS Research department. This presentation covered the Research department’s role in relation to the Pediatric Transplantation Committee and within the OPTN.

Summary of discussion:
A representative from the Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients (SRTR) also explained how their organization supports the OPTN committees and transplant community through modeling and analysis.
4. Work Group and Project Updates

Summary of discussion:

Liver: PELD/Status 1B:

– This Workgroup aims to 1) Refine Pediatric End-Stage Liver Disease (PELD) to better capture pediatric waitlist mortality and properly rank pediatric candidates against one another and against Model for End-Stage Liver Disease (MELD) candidates and 2) Identify Status 1B criteria that better captures the clinical situation of candidates requiring Status 1/B priority.

Kidney: Pediatric Priority in Sequence C

– A large percentage of pediatric candidates fall into sequence C. This Workgroup is in its beginning stages, but will aim to increase priority for this portion of the pediatric candidate population.

Upcoming Meetings

• August 19, 2020