

**OPTN Transplant Administrators Committee
Fiscal Impact Advisory Group
Meeting Summary
June 1, 2023
Conference Call**

Introduction

The Fiscal Impact Advisory Group met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 06/01/2023 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Introduction
2. Proposal review

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

1. Introduction

The FIG reviewed three proposals slated for the Summer 2023 public comment cycle. Additionally, the FIG utilized Microsoft Forms with improved and updated questions, instead of using RedCap as in prior fiscal analyses.

2. Proposal Review

Decision: After reviewing all three proposals, the FIG decided that none would have significant fiscal impact on transplant hospitals, organ procurement organizations, or histocompatibility labs.

Data summary:

Heart Transplantation Committee Proposal: Amend Adult Heart Status 2 Mechanical Device Requirements

- Survey responses indicated that the overall fiscal impact was low
- Comments included were that there might be some extra time needed to train staff on policy changes as well as increased time for chart review and data entry
- The length of implementation was indicated as being <30 days to 2 months

Membership and Professional Standards Committee Proposal: Require Reporting of Patient Safety Events

- Survey responses indicated that the overall fiscal impact was low
- Comments included members wanting communication from the MPSC about patient safety events and the actions taken by those organizations when the events occurred
 - Goal is for mutual information and technique sharing

Operations and Safety Committee Proposal: Collect Donor CRRT, Dialysis, and ECMO Interventions Data

- Survey responses indicated a low overall fiscal impact as well as a positive response to this proposal
- Comments included mention that OPOs would be more impacted than transplant hospitals with this policy, as they would be responsible for gathering and reporting this data

- Additional comments related to the benefits of this proposal, as it could ease the organ offer review process

Summary of discussion:

The Amend Adult Heart Status 2 Mechanical Device Requirements proposal was determined to have a low overall fiscal impact on the OPTN, organ procurement organizations and transplant hospitals. No fiscal impact was recorded for histocompatibility labs.

The Require Reporting of Patient Safety Events proposal is expected to have a low overall fiscal impact on the OPTN, transplant hospitals, and organ procurement organizations. No fiscal impact was recorded for histocompatibility laboratories. The general expectation of burden is that since these patient safety events are ideally few and far between, and any additional burden or costs are acceptable given the seriousness of such events.

The Collect Donor CRRT, Dialysis, and ECMO Interventions Data proposal is anticipated to have low fiscal impact on transplant hospitals. It has some potential to slightly increase impact on the OPOs who collect this data. There is no expected fiscal impact for histocompatibility labs. The potential impact on the OPTN could be slightly higher due to necessary IT changes being made to UNet and online reporting systems.

Upcoming Meeting

- TBD

Attendance

- **Committee Members**
 - Amber Carriker
 - Jason Huff
 - John Gutowski
 - Kevin Koomalsingh
 - Nancy Metzler
 - Stacy Sexton
 - Susan Zylicz
 - Christopher Wood
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Arjun Naik
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Alex Carmack
 - Joann White
 - Kristina Hogan
 - Lauren Mauk
 - Rebecca Brookman
 - Robert Hunter
 - Stryker-Ann Vosteen