Executive Update
COVID-19
Donors by week

Number of deceased donors recovered by week nationally
Weekly transplants by organ

Transplant Metrics

Deceased donor transplants performed nationally by week and organ type

Count

Rolling Week

- Kidney
- Heart-Lung
- Liver
- Lung
- Pancreas
- Heart
- Intestine
- Kidney-Pancreas
COVID-19 impact on transplantation

Deceased donor transplants

Jan 1 Mar 1 May 1 Jul 1 Sep 1

2020 2019

0 10,000 20,000
Waitlist changes
## Action 4

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<th>Week of</th>
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<td>76 (92.7%)</td>
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Emergency policy actions

- **Updates to Candidate Data during 2020 COVID-19 Emergency**
  - Allows transplant programs to use the most recently submitted clinical data for a candidate to maintain their current allocation priority

- **Relax Data Submission Requirements**
  - Relaxes requirements for follow-up form submission so recipients and living donors do not need to visit health care facilities for labs taken for the purpose of submitting post-transplant data

- **Applications for Modifications of Kidney Waiting Time**
  - Intended to prevent potential non-dialysis candidates who meet creatinine clearance or GFR criteria required for WL from being disadvantaged due to inability to obtain additional required testing

- **Incorporation of COVID-19 testing in DonorNet®**
  - Added optional data fields in DonorNet® to communicate testing for COVID-19.
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MPSC outcomes reviews

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Monitoring Updates – Site Surveys

- In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, UNOS staff ceased traveling to conduct on-site surveys on March 10, 2020.

- Recognizing the increased burden COVID-19 has placed on many OPTN members, members may request a postponement of both on-site or desk surveys.

- Since March 10th UNOS has conducted 34 virtual site surveys:
  - Chart reviews still occur utilizing secure file transfer protocols
  - Interviews with video options using virtual meeting platforms.
  - Education on OPTN resources and policies.

- Site Surveys will remain virtual until it is safe for you and for UNOS staff to conduct them in person.

- MQFeedback@unos.org
COVID-19: Organ Donation and Transplant Town Hall International Webinar #3

Organ transplant organizations convened for a third town-hall style webinar to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on organ donation and transplant.
The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Division of Transplantation (DoT) is monitoring the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency on organ procurement and transplantation.

Common questions and answers on organ donation and transplantation are here.

The OPTN Organ Center continues its usual functions and can assist transplant hospitals and organ procurement organizations as needed with organ placement or management of key donor or candidate data, in order to provide continuity of essential services.

If you are a transplant candidate and you have been told your transplant program is temporarily changing its usual arrangements, your program is your best contact for information regarding their facility status, appointment scheduling, and availability of critical services. If you need information or assistance in the event of a long-term disruption, contact the toll-free OPTN Patient Services line, (888) 894-6361.

Operational actions
The OPTN Executive Committee, on behalf of the OPTN Board of Directors, has taken a number of actions to help members document COVID-19 issues affecting organ donation and transplantation and to help members focus needed resources in the short term on essential clinical services.
Updates on DSA removal

- Liver, intestine circles implemented on February 4
  - Early data suggests increase in higher MELD transplants, increase in travel distance
  - COVID emergence only one month into new policy confounds evaluation data
  - Liver Committee monitoring data

- VCA removed regions June 2020

- Kidney, pancreas policy on schedule for December implementation
Pediatric Bylaws Implementation Update

- Thank you to everyone who submitted by the deadline

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<th>Application Status</th>
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<td>Applications Received</td>
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<td>Under MPSC review</td>
<td>6</td>
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| Ready for Board                           | 177   | 64%
| Awaiting more info from applicant         | 65    | 23%|

- For the 65 applicants missing information, time is of the essence!!
  - The Board will act only on applications that have completed the MPSC review process.

- [OPTN Website: Pediatric Implementation Toolkit](#)
- [MembershipRequests@unos.org](#)
Apply to volunteer

optn.transplant.hrsa.gov → Members → Get Involved

Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network

2021-2022 Call for Nominations for OPTN Board of Directors and Committees

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Are you passionate about organ donation and transplantation? Are you looking for an opportunity to make a greater impact on the transplant community? We invite you to apply to serve as a volunteer for the OPTN, the national organ procurement and transplantation system. The OPTN is now seeking nominations for terms beginning July 1, 2021 on the Board of Directors and Committees.

Board and Committee members are volunteers, representing a variety of professional disciplines and expertise, in addition to individuals with personal experience in organ donation and transplantation. The OPTN values diversity and strives for Board and Committee membership that reflects the professionals, patients, donors, and families that make up the donation and transplantation community.