

**OPTN Liver and Intestinal Organ Transplantation Committee
National Liver Review Board Subcommittee
Meeting Summary
November 12, 2020
Conference Call**

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Introduction

The National Liver Review Board (NLRB) Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) met via teleconference on 11/12/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Updated Neuroendocrine Tumor Data
2. Systematic Review of NLRB Guidance and Standardized Diagnoses

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

1. Updated Neuroendocrine Tumor Data

The Subcommittee continued discussions on a member's recommendation to remove the age restriction from the current guidance on neuroendocrine tumors (NET).

Summary of Data

Current NLRB guidance on NET includes a recommendation that the candidate be less than 60 years old.

A Subcommittee member provided data to support the argument to remove the age restriction from guidance.

Summary of Discussion

The member's recommendation is to remove the age restriction of 60 from NLRB guidelines. The Subcommittee supported removing the restriction.

2. Systematic Review of NLRB Guidance and Standardized Diagnoses

The Subcommittee discussed how to design a process to systematically review guidance and policy to ensure information is accurate and current.

Summary of Data:

There are currently nine diagnoses that are part of OPTN policy and 18 diagnoses in adult NLRB guidance. Additionally there are 19 diagnoses in pediatric guidance.

The Goal is to create a process to ensure guidance/policy is up-to-date and end ad hoc updates. The Chair proposed creating a schedule for review of each diagnosis and assign NLRB Subcommittee members to lead the review process for a specific diagnosis. Additionally a template to assist in the review process would be created.

Summary of Discussion:

The Subcommittee agreed to a review schedule of every three years for each diagnosis and to divide the guidance and policies into associated blocks of three-six (adult and pediatric) to work on for two-three months per block.

A member commented it would also be helpful to bring in content experts on certain diagnosis and for clinical research updates. The Subcommittee agreed content experts should be consulted as needed.

Next Steps

The Subcommittee is going to draft schedule and a template for further review.

Upcoming Meetings

- December 10

Attendance

- **Subcommittee Members**
 - Kimberly Brown
 - Julie Heimbach
 - Jennifer Kerney
 - Greg McKenna
 - James Pomposelli
 - Jorge Reyes
 - James Trotter
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Jim Bowman
 - Robert Walsh
- **SRTR Representatives**
 - John Lake
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Nicole Benjamin
 - Roger Brown
 - Matt Cafarella
 - Betsy Gans
 - Lindsay Larkin
 - Victor Melendez Gonzalez
 - Jennifer Musick
 - Samantha Noreen
 - Kelley Poff
 - Matt Prentice
 - Liz Robbins Callahan
 - Leah Slife
 - Karen Williams