

**OPTN Ethics Committee**

**Meeting Summary**

**July 9, 2021**

**Conference Call**

**Keren Ladin, PhD, Chair**

**Andrew Flescher, PhD, Vice Chair**

**Introduction**

The Ethics Committee met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 07/09/2021 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Vote on White Paper – *Ethical Considerations of Continuous Distribution in Organ Allocation*

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

**1. Vote on White Paper – *Ethical Considerations of Continuous Distribution in Organ Allocation***

The Chair provided a brief overview of the changes that occurred which the Committee will be voting on today. The Chair called the vote and the Vice Chair seconded it. The Committee was asked 'Does anyone oppose sending the white paper, *Ethical Considerations of Continuous Distribution in Organ Allocation*, to the Policy Oversight Committee to proceed for public comment?' A voice vote was conducted and the Committee unanimously voted, 11-0, in support.

Next steps:

UNOS staff informed the Committee that the white paper will be submitting to the Policy Oversight Committee (POC) next week before public comment begins on August 3, 2021.

**Upcoming Meetings**

- July 15, 2021
- August 19, 2021
- September 16, 2021

## Attendance

- **Committee Members**
  - Aaron Wightman
  - Andrew Flescher
  - Catherine Vascik
  - Colleen Reed
  - Ehab Saad
  - George Bayliss
  - Keren Ladin
  - Melissa Anderson
  - Roshan George
  - Tania Lyons
  - Sena Wilson-Sheehan
- **HRSA Representatives**
  - Jim Bowman
  - Marilyn Levi
  - Maryam Valapour
- **UNOS Staff**
  - Eric Messick
  - Kristina Hogan
  - Laura Schmitt
  - Roger Brown
  - Ross Walton
  - Susan Tlusty