

# Meeting Agenda

**Region 9 - 2024 Summer Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 10:00am-3:30pm ET**  
**Rochester Airport Marriott**  
**Rochester, NY**  
**\*New Start Time\***

**Virtual Meeting Link:** [WebEx link](#)

**Councillor:** Nancy Metzler

**Associate Councillor:** Sander Florman, MD, FACS

**Board Members:** Denise Abbey; Laura Butler, MMHC, MSN; Dianne LaPointe Rudow, ANP-BC, DNP, FAAN; Macey Levan, PhD, JD; Nancy Metzler; Patrick Northup, MD, MHS; Lloyd Ratner, MD, MPH

**Transplant Community Administrator:** Sara Rose Wells

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker(s)
10:00-10:20am	Councillor Update	Nancy Metzler Strong Memorial Hospital, University of Rochester Medical Center
10:20-10:35am	Engaging Patients and Families <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Patient and Donor Affairs Representative welcome and introduction</li><li>• The Patient Affairs Committee update</li></ul>	Elizabeth Devivo OPTN Patient Affairs Committee
10:35-10:55am	Network Operations Oversight Committee: <a href="#">Revise Conditions for Access to the OPTN Computer System</a>	Laura Butler, MMHC, MSN Montefiore Medical Center
10:55-11:15am	Lung Transplantation Committee: <a href="#">Promote Efficiency of Lung Donor Testing</a>	Joseph Tusa LiveOnNY
11:15-11:45am	OPTN Executive Update	Lloyd Ratner, MD, MPH Vice President, OPTN Board of Directors
<b>11:45am-12:45pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
12:45-1:15pm	HRSA Remarks	Frank Holloman, MPA Division of Transplantation, HHS
1:15-1:45pm	OPTN Expeditious Task Force Update	David Marshman, CPTC, BS Co-Chair, OPTN Expeditious Task Force

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1:45-2:10pm	Histocompatibility Committee: <a href="#">Require Reporting of HLA Critical Discrepancies and Crossmatching Event to the OPTN</a>  <a href="#">Update Histocompatibility Bylaws</a>	Helene McMurray, PhD Tissue Typing Laboratory at Strong Memorial Hospital
2:10-2:20	Break	
2:20-3:20pm	Continuous Distribution Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Continuous Distribution of Hearts</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Continuous Distribution of Livers and Intestines Update</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Continuous Distribution of Pancreata Update</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Continuous Distribution of Kidneys Update</a></li></ul>	Maria Avila, MD, FACC North Shore University Hospital/Northwell Health  Joseph Dinorcia, MD Mount Sinai Medical Center  Stephanie Arocho, NP NY Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia Univ. Medical Center  Reza Saidi, MD State University of New York Upstate Medical University
3:20-3:30pm	Closing Remarks & Poll Everywhere Results	Sara Rose Wells

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## Summer 2024 Public Comment

### Discussion

- Revise Conditions for Access to the OPTN Computer System, *OPTN Network Operations Oversight Committee*
- Promote Efficiency of Lung Donor Testing, *OPTN Lung Transplantation Committee*
- Require Reporting of HLA Critical Discrepancies and Crossmatching Event to the OPTN, *OPTN Histocompatibility Committee*
- Update Histocompatibility Bylaws, *OPTN Histocompatibility Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Kidneys Update, *OPTN Kidney Transplantation Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Hearts, *OPTN Heart Transplantation Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Livers and Intestines Update, *OPTN Liver & Intestinal Organ Transplantation Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Pancreata Update, *OPTN Pancreas Transplantation Committee*

### Resources

Regional Meeting Materials: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/members/regions/regional-meetings/>

OPTN Policies: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/governance/policies/>

Final Rule: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/about/final-rule/>