

Meeting Agenda

2025 Winter Region 3 Meeting
Friday, February 21st, 2025, 9:30am-2:15pm ET
Virtual

Virtual Meeting Link: [WebEx](#)

Councillor: J. David Vega, MD

Associate Councillor: Christy Keahey, MSN, BSN, RN, CPTC, CTBS

Board Members: Glen Kelley; J. David Vega, MD

Transplant Community Administrator: Betsy Gans

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker(s)
9:30-9:45 am	Councillor Update	David Vega, MD Emory University Hospital
9:45-10:00 am	Patient Affairs Committee Update	Calvin Henry OPTN Patient Affairs Committee
10:00-10:25 am	OPTN Update	Richard Formica, MD President, OPTN Board of Directors
10:25-10:35 am	OPTN Modernization update	HRSA's Division of Transplantation
10:35-10:50 am	Membership & Professional Standards Committee Update	Christy Keahey, M.S.N., B.S.N., RN, CPTC, CTBS Legacy of Hope
10:50-11:05 am	Disease Transmission Advisory Committee: Clarify Requirements for Reporting a Potential Disease Transmission	Stephanie Pouch, MD, MS Emory University Hospital
11:05-11:30 am	Break	
11:30-11:45 am	Heart Transplantation Committee: Escalation of Status for Time on Left Ventricular Assist Device	Martha Tankersley, MSN, RN University of Alabama Hospital
11:45 am-12:00 pm	Lung Transplantation Committee: Modify Lung Donor Data Collection	Thomas Kaleekal, MD University of Alabama Hospital
12:00-1:00 pm	Ad Hoc Multi-Organ Transplantation Committee: Establish Comprehensive Multi- Organ Allocation Policy – Request for Feedback	Nicole Turgeon, MD Dell Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas at Austin

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1:00-2:00 pm	Feedback Session on OPTN Modernization	HRSA's Division of Transplantation
2:00-2:15 pm	Closing Remarks & Poll Everywhere Results	Betsy Gans

Winter 2025 Public Comment

Non-Discussion – *Sentiment collection only; no presentation or discussion*

- Barriers Related to the Evaluation and Follow Up of International Living Donors, *OPTN International Relations Committee*
- Monitor Ongoing eGFR Modification Policy Requirements, *OPTN Minority Affairs Committee*
- Updates to National Liver Review Board Guidance and Further Alignment with LI-RADS, *OPTN Liver & Intestinal Organ Transplantation Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Kidneys, *OPTN Kidney Transplantation Committee*
- Continuous Distribution of Pancreas, *OPTN Pancreas Transplantation Committee*

Discussion

- Establish Comprehensive Multi-Organ Allocation Policy: Request for Feedback, *OPTN Ad Hoc Multi-Organ Allocation Committee*
- Clarify Requirements for Reporting a Potential Disease Transmission, *OPTN Disease Transmission Advisory Committee*
- Modify Lung Donor Data Collection, *OPTN Lung Transplantation Committee*
- Escalation of Status for Time on Left Ventricular Assist Device, *OPTN Heart 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/>