

**OPTN Transplant Administrators Committee
Fiscal Impact Advisory Workgroup
Meeting Summary
October 12, 2021
Conference Call**

Introduction

The Fiscal Impact Advisory Workgroup met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 10/12/2021 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Revisiting Initial Fiscal Impact Assessment after Summer Public Comment
2. Review FIG Charge for Winter 2022 Proposals

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

1. Revisiting Initial Fiscal Impact Assessment after Summer Public Comment

UNOS staff presented the pre-public comment fiscal analysis of the proposals, as well as any post-public comment changes and new data or information since the previous FIG review.

Report Primary Graft Dysfunction in Heart Transplant Recipients

UNOS staff presented on the 30-60 estimated timeframe for manual data entry per form, the timeframe provided by the FIG at the last meeting. UNOS staff presented that the data collection determination by the committee was for six "yes or no" questions and three questions with drop-down responses.

Members stated that the majority of the proposed timeframe would be searching for the appropriate values within an EMR, and that a timely API release would greatly decrease required data entry time. The member also stated that the ability to utilize an API may vary between transplant hospitals, based on how they have built and utilized their EMRs. If they have not built-in discrete fields, these values won't be able to map over, even if UNOS releases an API to do so. Two other FIG members agreed, and one stated that if the data points have to be abstracted it can be an additional cost.

Establish Continuous Distribution of Lungs

UNOS staff presented on the modeling the Lung committee had received after the last FIG review, showing that while there would be an increase in median travel distance, there would actually be a decrease in the number of organs that would be expected to fly (defined by organs >75 NM from the transplant hospital).

One member stated that once an organ is outside of the DSA, there isn't much of a change in travel costs for HLA typing and crossmatching materials regardless of distance. No other members had questions or concerns.

2. Review FIG Charge for Winter 2022 Proposals

UNOS staff reviewed the FIG process for proposal review to gather fiscal impact information that allows the OPTN Board of Directors to consider high-level, direct financial implications on members as part of their decision-making process. Members had no questions or concerns.

Upcoming Meetings

- October 20, 2021, 2 PM EDT, Teleconference
- October 28, 2021, 1 PM EDT, Teleconference

Attendance

- **Workgroup Members**
 - Amber Carriker
 - Andrea Tietjen
 - Debbi McRann
 - Gerald Morris
 - Michelle James
 - Nancy Metzler
 - Scott Wansley
 - Sharon Klarman
 - Stacy Sexton
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Vanessa Arriola
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Courtney Jett
 - Elizabeth Miller
 - Kristina Hogan
 - Susan Tlusty