

**OPTN Kidney Transplantation Committee
Kidney Medical Urgency Review Subcommittee
Meeting Summary
August 9, 2021
Conference Call**

Introduction

The Kidney Medical Urgency Review Subcommittee met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 08/09/2021 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Overview: Subcommittee Purpose and Goals
2. Closed Session: Confidential Medical Urgency Case Review

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

1. Overview: Subcommittee Purpose and Goals

The Subcommittee reviewed the purpose and goals of the Medical Urgency Review Subcommittee.

Data summary:

Subcommittee Purpose: Review the qualifying documentation of medical urgency listings to ensure they meet the definition of Medically Urgent status as outlined in OPTN Policy.

The Subcommittee will consist of at least three surgeon and nephrologist-specific Kidney Committee members, with Committee leadership serving as alternates. The Subcommittee will meet quarterly to review cases and provide reports to the full Kidney Committee twice per year.

Subcommittee members will be provided with documentation uploaded to the patient's Waitlist record. Each case will be blinded by OPTN staff of any identifying or protected patient, transplant center, or OPO information before review. Documentation will be from cases from the previous quarter, less the most recent two-week documentation submission period. OPTN staff will internally track center use of the status and review of cases.

Subcommittee members must maintain confidentiality, and will recuse themselves from discussions involving any cases from their centers.

Summary of discussion:

It was clarified that Subcommittee members should indicate, if a case does not meet the definition of medically urgent as outlined in policy, why that is, or what documentation would be necessary to show that patient is medically urgent.

2. Closed Session: Confidential Medical Urgency Case Review

The Subcommittee had a closed session review of medically urgent kidney candidate cases.

Upcoming Meetings

- TBD

Attendance

- **Subcommittee Members**
 - Martha Pavlakis
 - Jim Kim
 - Asif Sharfuddin
 - Amy Evenson
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Jim Bowman
 - Marilyn Levi
- **SRTR Staff**
 - Bryn Thompson
 - Jon Miller
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Lindsay Larkin
 - Amanda Robinson
 - Kayla Temple
 - Ross Walton
 - Jenn Musick
 - Lauren Motley
 - Megan Oley
 - Melissa Lane
 - Sara Moriarty