

**OPTN Minority Affairs Committee
Meeting Summary
January 23, 2023
Conference Call**

**Paulo Martins, MD, Ph.D., Chair
Alejandro Diez, MD, Vice Chair**

Introduction

The OPTN Minority Affairs Committee (the Committee) met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 01/23/2023 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. eGFR Waiting Time Modification Implementation Update
2. Introduction to KDPI

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

1. eGFR Waiting Time Modifications Implementation Update

The Committee heard an implementation update on the eGFR waiting time modifications policy.

Summary of discussion:

A member asked if the community would be provided with FAQs for the eGFR waiting time modifications implementation. The presenter replied that FAQs are in the final review stage and will be available soon. There will be one FAQ for members and another FAQ for candidates and the public. Another member asked if the FAQ document would be updated with additional questions throughout the year. The presenter replied that UNOS staff is tracking all the questions submitted, and the FAQ will be continually updated with the community's most common questions. .

Staff noted the high volume of feedback from the community and committees and emphasized current efforts to manage this feedback and adjust accordingly. For example, UNOS staff is developing sample notifications in both English and Spanish. A member commented that this project has been an iterative process and could be used as an example for future race-based algorithms for other groups who may decide to do something similar.

2. Introduction to KDPI

The Committee heard a presentation on Kidney Donor Profile Index (KDPI) and Race.

Summary of discussion:

A member noted that kidneys that have a KDPI of more than 85% are discarded at a higher rate when compared to kidneys with a lower KDPI. A member asked who uses KDPI. The Chair explained that surgeons, nephrologists, or transplant coordinators may receive deceased donor kidney offers in most transplant centers.

Next steps:

The Committee will conduct a literature review and further discuss KDPI.

Upcoming Meeting

- February 27, 2023 @ 9AM CT in Houston, TX

Attendance

- **Committee Members**
 - Paulo Martins
 - Alejandro Diez
 - Adrian Lawrence
 - Amaka Eneanya
 - Anthony Panos
 - Ayana Andrews-Joseph
 - Christiana Gjelij
 - Christine Hwang
 - Jason Narverud
 - Niviann Blondet
 - Stephen Gray
 - Wayne Tsuang
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Mesmin Germain
 - Jim Bowman
 - Monica Colvin
 - Shelley Tims Grant
- **SRTR Staff**
 - Bryn Thompson
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Tamika Watkins
 - Kelley Poff
 - Carol Covington
 - Jesse Howell
 - Krissy Laurie
 - Lauren Mauk