

**SUMMARY REPORT of the
OPTN/UNOS TRANSPLANT COORDINATORS COMMITTEE
October 24, 2007
Chicago, Illinois**

1. Update on HHS Program Goals. The Committee was provided with an update on the HHS Program Goals. These include the goals for increasing the number of deceased donors, organs recovered per donor, and increasing the use of DCD and ECD organs. This information will be provided as a regular part of all meeting packets in order to keep Committees continually updated on the progress of the goals.
2. HRSA Update. The Committee was provided with an overview of the resources that HRSA is developing for transplant professionals. These resources include donation kits for doctors, History of Transplantation training film for medical professionals, and No Greater Love video.
3. Public Comment. The Committee discussed and voted on the proposal released for public comment.
4. Patient Affairs Candidate Letter. The Committee reviewed a letter drafted by the Patient Affairs Committee (PAC). The letter provides information about the OPTN and UNOS, as well as the patient services line. It is intended that the letter will be available to transplant centers online and will accompany the patient listing letters. The Committee made suggestions which will be passed on to the PAC.
5. President's Objectives for the Transplant Coordinators Committee. The Committee discussed the following Committee specific goals:
 - Identify ways to decrease the cost and workload that DonorNet® 2007 has placed on transplant centers. Resolution ideas: 40 hour/week night full time employee to take call and complete data entry on slow nights. This will decrease overtime and attrition. The Committee also felt that ongoing list maintenance would help decrease cost and workload.
 - Input on DonorNet® issues to ensure that the new system does not create new communication issues.
 - Continue to be involved in the Transplant Center Redesign, establishing the TCC as a resource to help transplant centers deal with growth and volume expansion.
6. Adult/Pediatric Subdivision of Contacts. The Committee was provided an overview of this issue and offered an opportunity to express thoughts and concerns. The Committee did not offer any specific concerns regarding this issue.
7. Number of Red Topped Tubes of Blood for ABO Verification. The Board is asked to approve modifications to Policy 2.5.5 (Organ Procurement Quality) and Policy 3.5.9.1 (Essential Information for Kidney Offers) to clarify the number of red topped tubes of blood required to accompany each organ for ABO verification. The modifications will prevent further confusion and ensure consistency in the interpretation of these policies. It is planned that this proposal will go to the Board of Directors in February 2008.
8. Ensuring Appropriate Candidates Appear on Match Runs. The Committee was reminded that organs shall be allocated to recipients who appear on the match run.

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