

OPTN / UNOS Transplant Coordinators Committee
Interim Report
October 25, 2011

The **Goal** of the call is to review the outcomes of the October 17th meeting in Chicago and vote on the Histocompatibility Committee's proposals.

New Business

The staff liaison to the Histocompatibility Committee presented their two proposals currently out for public comment.

1. Proposed Update to the Calculated PRA (CPRA) – members asked for a better understanding of the mechanics and it was explained that there just would be a field added; fields would be: 1. Yes, antibody found; 2. yes, no antibody found, 3. Not tested/not done. One member noted that this will be very useful from the OPO perspective as far as backing up organs.

The Committee supported the proposal [For 11: Against 0: Abstentions 0]

2. Revision of the UNOS Bylaws, the OPTN Bylaws and the OPTN Policies that govern HLA laboratories.

The Committee supported the proposal with no comments. [For 11: Against 0: Abstentions 0]

Old Business

The staff liaison did a review of the October 17th meeting in Chicago:

- It was reiterated that the committee would focus now on defining “inactive” and “active”.
- It was noted that in the future when the committee addresses how centers define whether a patient is cleared for listing, there needs to be some type of effort to determine what is currently being done across the US.
- It was suggested that the committee consider what centers have internal vs. external holds for their patients when discussing inactive waitlist management.
- The committee had no additional comments regarding the feedback they are providing to UNOS regarding the PHS Guidelines.
- Members remarked that it was a great meeting and it's nice to be working face to face with others.

Meetings

The next Live Meetings are scheduled for November 22nd and December 27th. Agenda items will include reviewing and voting on the Policy Proposals out for public comment from the Liver Committee, and discussing how to define “inactive” and “active”.

The next face-to-face meeting is planned for the spring 2012.

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