Interim Report of the OPTN/UNOS Transplant Coordinators Committee Meeting November 22, 2011 Live Meeting

I. Old Business

<u>Inactive Waitlist Management</u>. The committee discussed various issues of waitlist management at programs such as internal holds that exist for patients. The Committee agreed that programs define their "active" and "inactive" patients differently and centers don't notify patients when their status changes. In addition, it was noted that there is a lack of wait list monitoring, and people are listed when they are not ready for transplant. It was reiterated that patients are being unfairly disadvantaged and programs need to be accountable. One member suggested that for kidney patients, a 30-day inactive accrual be put in place similar to the intestine patients and after the 30 days, the patient would then stop gaining time on the list. The next step for the Committee is to list out problems that exist for each organ type and address the implications for hospitals, staff and patients.

II. New Business

<u>Policy Proposals Issued for Public Comment.</u> David Mulligan, MD from the OPTN/UNOS Liver and Intestinal Transplantation Committee presented the following proposals to the Committee for a vote:

- 1. Proposal to Extend the "Share 15" Regional Distribution Policy to "Share 15 National" Voted in Support [14:0:0]
- 2. Proposal for Regional Distribution of Livers for Critically III Candidates Voted in Support

III. Meetings

The next Live Meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2012 and the next face-to-face meeting in Chicago is planned for Monday, April 2nd.

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