

Ad Hoc Disease Transmission Advisory Committee: A Report to the OPTN/UNOS Board

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Bi-annual DTAC e-newsletter

- Last issue October 2011
- Highlights new HRSA-CDC Working Agreement
- Covers DTAC abstracts from 2011 ATC and a recent journal publication on malignancy.

■ Guidance for Considering Donors with Meningoencephalitis of Unknown Etiology

- Subcommittee work ongoing
- Guidance document anticipated by June 2012
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- Improvements to disease reporting page on Improving Patient Safety portal



Modifications recommended by DTAC and DTAC support staff



Committee voted to approve modifications for programming

- These changes will be part of a larger programming effort to update LD, Patient Safety and Disease Transmission reporting pages.

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Proposed Minimum Screening Requirements for Living Donors

- Provided input and feedback to the Living Donor Committee
- Follow-up survey of all OPOs Regarding Donor Screening Practices
 - On hold pending the finalization of US PHS Guidelines, as this is expected to change OPO screening practices

Other Projects and Issues



US PHS Guidelines Review

- DTAC took an active role in reviewing all of the recommendations over the course of 6 conference call and through email discussion.
- Many **general and specific concerns**, with feedback going into larger OPTN response from multiple committees.
- Committee has **concerns regarding impact on transplantation as a whole.**

HRSA-CDC Working Agreement

- CDC and HRSA DoT recently developed a working agreement in order to:
 - reduce the burden on OPTN members for reporting similar information to two different organizations, and
 - prevent duplication of effort between the CDC and DTAC.
- While reporting requirements outlined in Policy 4.5 will not change, the state or local public health and/or the CDC will lead and coordinate any reported PDDTE that is flagged as public health investigation.

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As of October 1, 2011, a public health investigation may be pursued when a PDDTE involves:

- A **notifiable disease** (as listed by each state. Please be aware of reportable diseases in your specific locale.);
- A **disease cluster** (i.e. two or more recipients infected); or
- A **disease or condition with public health implications** (e.g. emerging pathogens, diseases with potential for person-to-person transmission).

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- DTAC Support Staff will continue standard case management for all malignancy and non-notifiable/non-public health interest cases.
- DTAC will continue to review all reported cases, relying on case summaries from the CDC on cases led by local or state PH or CDC.

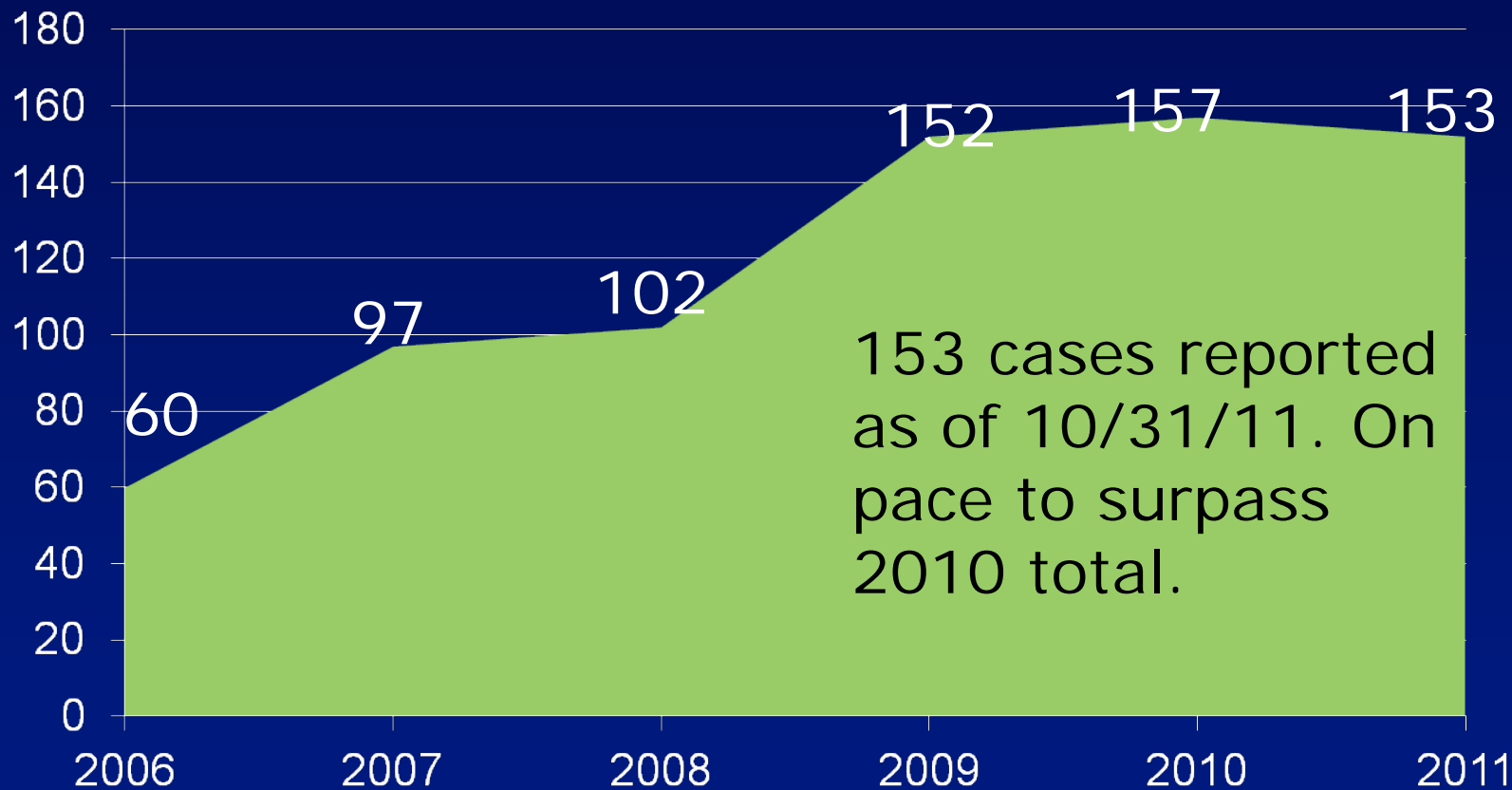
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- OPTN members notified by memo in the UNOS Communications e-newsletter in October.
- To date, the CDC is leading 8 of the 15 cases reported in October and reviewed by DTAC.
 - There were five additional reports that were cancelled d/t duplicate or unnecessary reporting.

HRSA-CDC Working Agreement

- To date, only one member has raised concerns regarding the new process.
- CDC invites DTAC to participate in any conference calls it schedules, and will provide a case summary once review is complete
 - No summaries received to date, but we have not reached 45 day marker

PDTE Reviewed by DTAC January 2006 - October 2011



Summary of Reported Cases: Jan- Oct 2011

Disease Types	# of Donor Reports	# of Recipients w/ Confirmed Tx*	# of DDD-Attributable Recipients Deaths*
Bacterial	43	4	1
Viral	36	10	2
Fungal	22	2	0
Parasites	4	2	0
Other Diseases	7	0	0
Malignancies	41	7	3 (2 explanted)
<i>Total</i>	153	25	6 (2)

Data on confirmed transmission and transmission-attributed deaths is based upon what is available as of 10/31/11, and does not include 45 day follow-up or SSDMF review for all events reported to date. Numbers are subject to change.

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