

# *OPTN/UNOS Transplant Coordinators Committee*

Report to the Board of Directors

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# *Strategic Goals*

## Donor and Recipient Information Sharing

A Task Force convened April 28, 2011 to develop recommendations when sharing information between donor families and their recipients, and living donors and their recipients.

These recommendations were approved by the Board of Directors, June 2011.

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## Donor and Recipient Information Sharing

The Task Force then developed a guidance document including these recommendations and was approved yesterday.

A Toolkit containing the Guidance Document and other resources to assist OPOs and Transplant Centers with the sharing of patient information will be disseminated into the transplant community and to the OPTN/UNOS members.

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## Donor and Recipient Information Sharing

The recommendations were reviewed during a Live Webcast October 5, 2011, titled, “Sharing Donor and Recipient Information: Understanding HIPAA.”

Charlie Alexander moderated the session and the presenters were: Alexandra Glazier, Lori Brigham and Edward Garrity.

There were nearly 2,500 registrants from all over the country.

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## Tiedi Documentation Project

A Working Group has been created to review all field definitions located in the help documentation for the data collection forms.

The goals of the Working Group are to improve the accuracy and completeness of OPTN data by:

- identifying problems with existing documentation;
- providing recommendations for educating users; and
- identifying situations where input from other groups is needed.

This is a long-term project that will include other committees and constituents as needed.

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## Inactive Waitlist Management

At their face to face meeting in Chicago, October 17<sup>th</sup>, the Committee agreed to:

- Define “Inactive” and “Active” for all organs. The Committee agrees that the community needs to be educated on how to use these terms for proper list management.
  
- Develop a center-driven review / notification process on how their patients are informed of their status to improve waitlist management. [Pending the new Kidney Allocation System]

# *Other*

## Living Donor Committee Collaboration

- The TCC is providing a description for the Independent Donor Advocate for an upcoming proposed policy.
- The TCC is providing input into the development for the transportation label of living donor organs.

## Operations and Safety Committee Collaboration

- TCC members are participating in the Vessel Policy Work Group

## Transplant Coordinators Listserv

- There are close to 300 members on the listserv.
- Recent discussion threads have included: paired donation programs and ABO verification.

# Questions

