Ethics Committee Report

OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors Meeting
Ms. Alexandra Glazier, JD, MPH, Chair
Dr. Peter Reese, MD, Vice Chair
June 23-24, 2014
“The Ethics Committee recognizes that Imminent Death Donation is an emerging donation practice may be ethical under certain circumstances but understands that significant ethical, clinical and practical concerns must be addressed before policy development can be considered.

The Committee therefore recommends that a joint subcommittee be formed including the Kidney, OPO, Living Donation, and Ethics Committee to further explore IDD and address concerns.”

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The Committee has developed a series of white papers on bioethical issues that are available on the OPTN website. Some of the topics addressed in the white papers include:

- An Evaluation of the Ethics of Informed Consent
- Financial Incentives for Organ Donation
- The Ethics of Organ Donation from Condemned Prisoners
Projects – In Collaboration with other Committees

- General Principles of Pediatric Allocation
- Exhausting the Match Run
- Guidelines for Applying Exceptions Uniformly
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