Public Forum on Redesigning Liver Distribution

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Number of Deceased Donors Recovered in 2013 by Blood Group & District (4 Districts)

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District 4: HI & AK
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Not Pictured
District 8: HI & AK
District 1: PR
Policy Considerations
For Expanded Liver Sharing

- Transplant center practice to accept more than one liver for one candidate.

- Define when is liver “accepted”?
  - Pre-recovery
  - Intraoperative
  - Liver arrives at center

- Process to accept and back up liver needs to be revised (time frame and decision makers)

- Transplant center capacity with increased travel

- Allocation of “marginal” livers
Policy Considerations
For Expanded Liver Sharing

• Process to handle OPO and transplant center disputes
  • Surgical error rates/QA
  • OR timing
  • Code of conduct/credentialing process for surgical teams

• Defining financial responsibility of organ acceptance
  • Waiver
  • Backing out of liver offer and no time to re-allocate
  • Lack of official agreements with transplant centers & other OPOs regarding payment

• Standards to address common procurement issues
  • Biopsy practice
  • Kidney recovery by liver team
  • Packaging/Labeling variances
  • Intra-operative liver turn down and team to recover for other
DonorNet Enhancements Needed

- Elimination of the offer throttle
- Transparency of other organ offers to intended recipient across OPO’s
- “Skip” patients when the center has already “accepted” liver from another donor
- Increased screening criteria for centers to apply to donor characteristics.
Evaluation of System Performance

- OPO performance
  - Observed vs. Expected
  - Livers available
- Liver discard or non-recovery
- Deaths on waitlist
- Transplant outcomes
- Time needed to allocate liver and effects on donation
  - Particularly marginal donor allocation
- Cost of flight transportation and system capacity