

OPTN/UNOS Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) Committee

Report to the OPTN Board of Directors

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Current Committee Activity

- Proposals distributed for Public Comment
 - Imminent & Eligible Death Data Collection
 - “Consent” vs. “Authorization”
 - Alternate Label for Perfusion Machines
- Organ Transport Labeling
- Uncontrolled DCD Policy Development
- Participation in Work Groups

Proposals for Public Comment

Policy 7.0 - Imminent & Eligible Death Data Collection

- The Committee is concerned about the inconsistencies found in the I & E death data reporting and are proposing modifications to the Imminent and Eligible Definitions found in Policy 7.0.
- The Committee has developed a list of organ specific exclusionary criteria and have proposed the elimination of MSOF as a criterion.
- These changes will help to eliminate inconsistent reporting and make the data more valuable.

Multiple Policies Changing “Consent” to “Authorization”

- Proposal to change the term “consent” to “authorization” throughout OPTN policy & the bylaws when referring to deceased donation
- This change will help to keep OPTN policy and bylaws consistent with current terminology used in practice.

Policy 5.0 - Alternate Label for Perfusion Machines

- Currently OPOs and Centers make their own labels for perfusion machines for transporting organs resulting in inconsistent labeling.
- New labeling system implemented in January 2010 attempts to standardize labels throughout the country.
- New proposal will eliminate the use of the alternate labels.

Current Committee Projects

Organ Transport Labeling

- The Committee continues to evaluate the effectiveness of the new labeling system and “tweak” the labels.
- From January – June 2011, there were 17 reported errors in labeling. The Committee will compare these errors with errors from June 2011 – Dec 2011 when data become available.
- The Committee is working with the Living Donor Committee to develop a label for living donor organs that is consistent with those for deceased donor organs

U-DCD Policy Development

- Considering policy development for uncontrolled DCD (u-DCD), similar to the DCD Model Elements/Requirements.
- Have developed a survey and will distribute it to OPO Executive Directors to determine current practice in u-DCD
- The results will drive the development of the u-DCD Model Elements/Requirements.

Work Group Participation

- “Sharing of Donor and Recipient Information: Understanding HIPAA” Task Force. (Joint multi-committee and multi-organizational task force - TCC)
- Effective Screening Work Group (OPS)
- The Uniform Donor History Questionnaire (UDHQ) Stakeholder Review Group (HHS Advisory Committee on Blood Safety)
- Vessel Work Group (OPS)

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