

Liver and Intestine Committee

Fall 2019

Recently Implemented Proposal

National Liver Review Board

- Three specialty boards
 - Adult HCC
 - Adult other diagnosis
 - Pediatric
- Appeals
 - 1st to same review group
 - 2nd to Appeals Review Team (ART)
 - 3rd to Liver Committee

NLRB Results

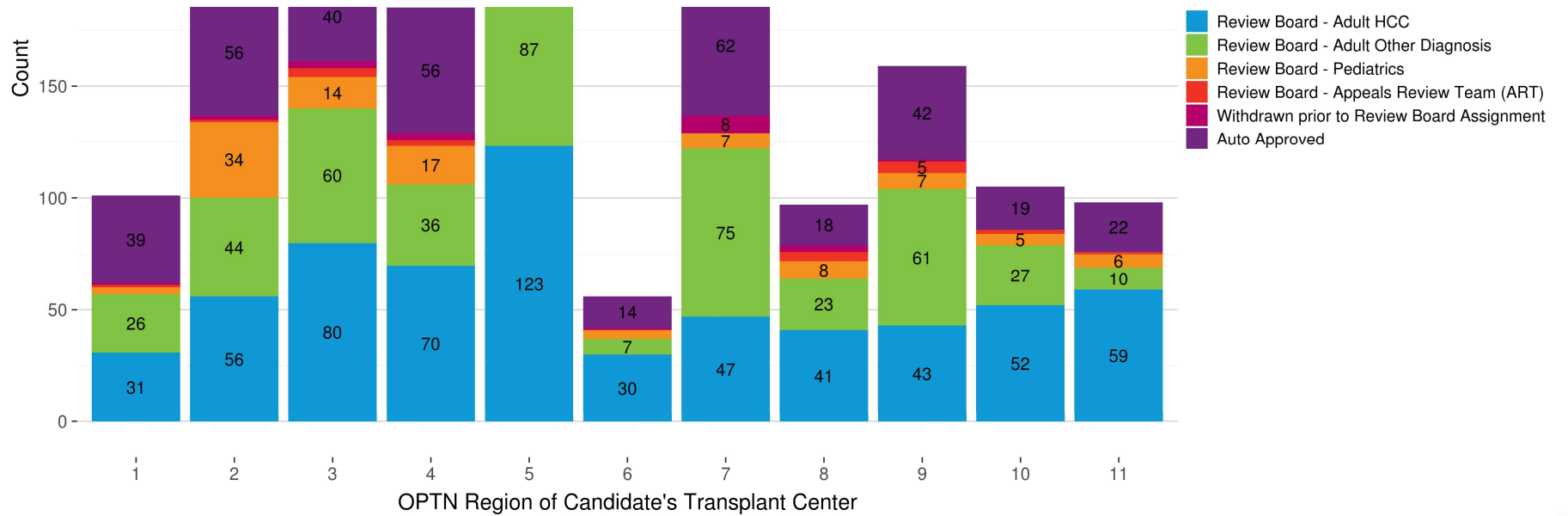
Data from May 14, 2019 (implementation) to June 24, 2019

- Exception request forms submitted:
 - 1218 initial and extension forms
 - 163 appeal forms
 - 33 ART appeal forms
- Of the initial and exception forms submitted to a specialty board for review,
 - 58% reviewed by the adult HCC board,
 - 34.8% reviewed by the adult other diagnosis board
 - 5.9% reviewed by the pediatrics board

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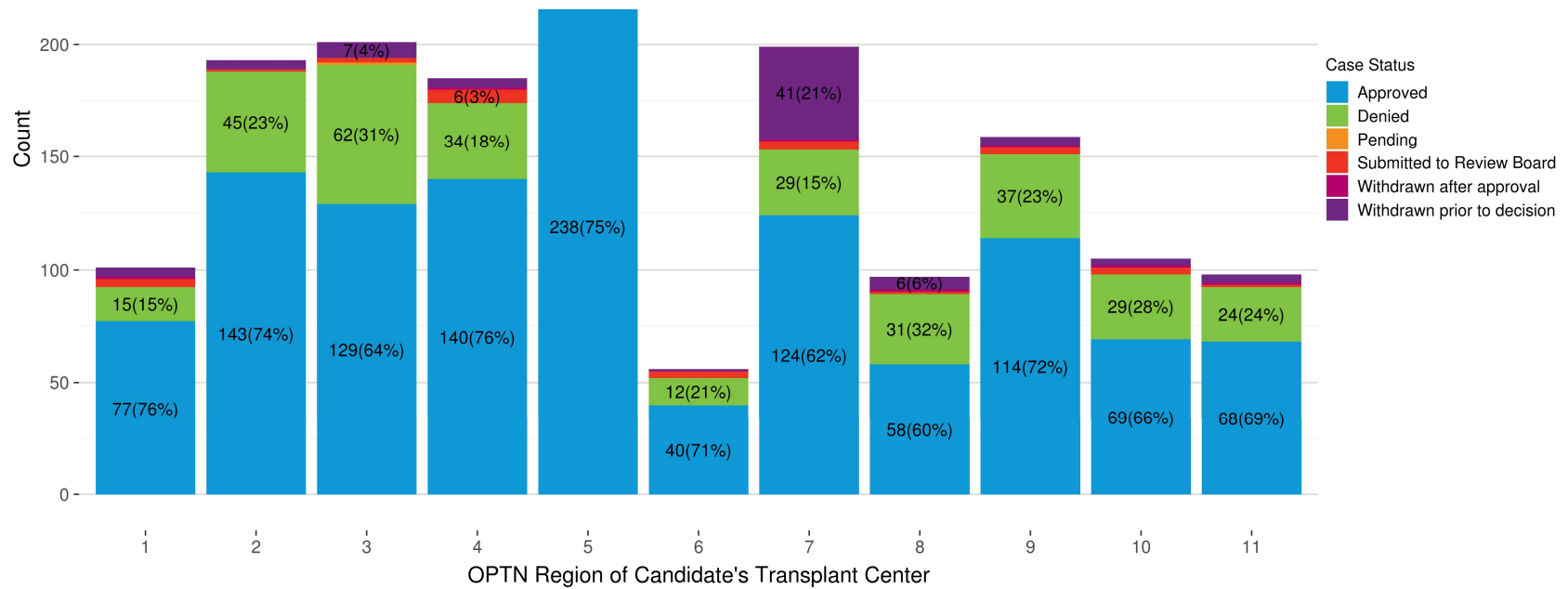
- Data from May 14, 2019 (implementation) to June 24, 2019
 - Overall approval rate: 60.6%
 - By specialty board, the approval rates were
 - 73.7% for the adult HCC board
 - 45.9% for the adult other diagnosis board
 - 67.4% the pediatrics board

Exception Forms Submitted by OPTN Region and Specialty Review Board



*Groups with N < 5 do not contain counts in graph.

Exception Forms Submitted by OPTN Region and Outcome



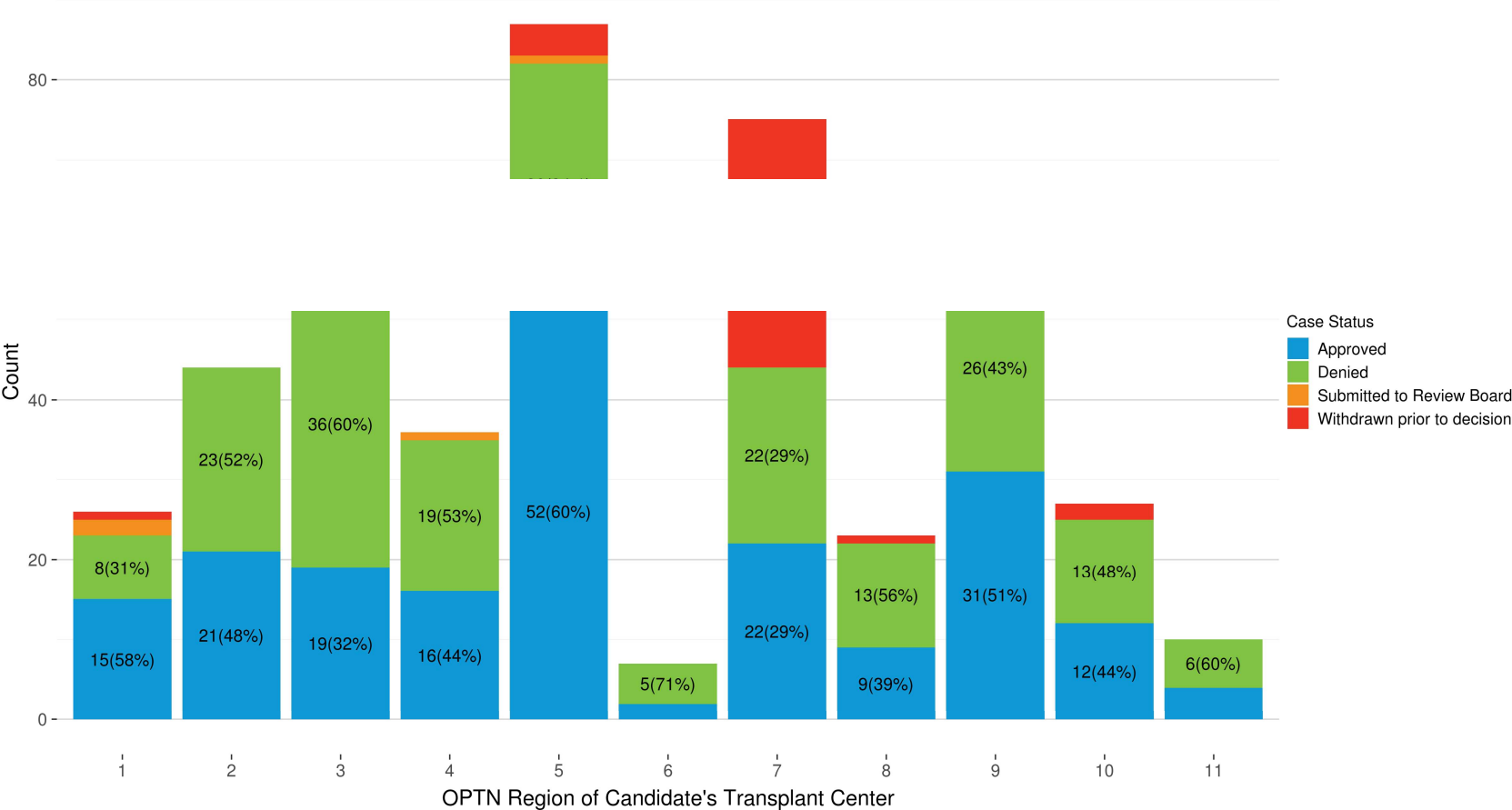
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Exception Forms Submitted by OPTN Region and Outcome Adult HCC Review Board



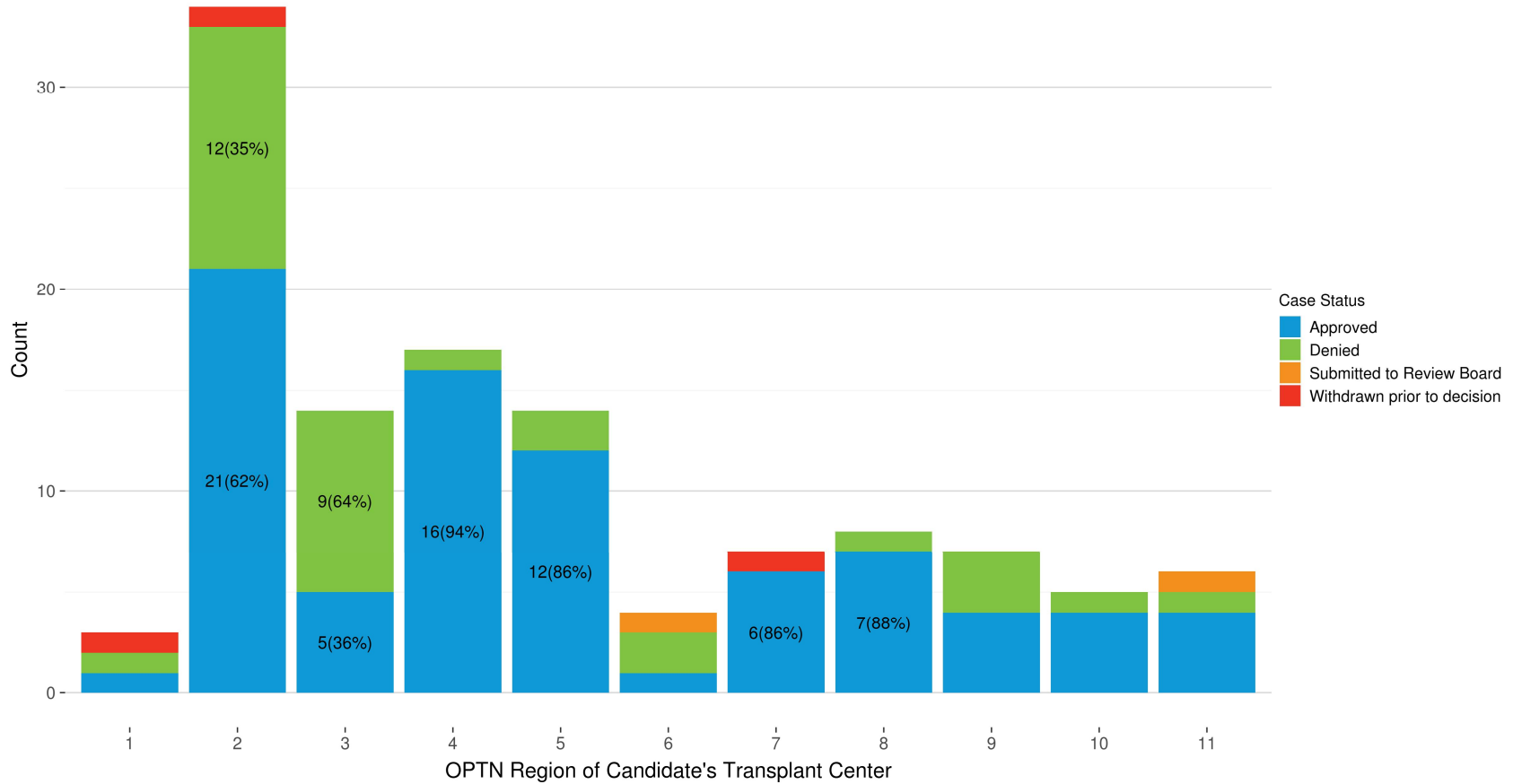
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Exception Forms Submitted by OPTN Region and Outcome Adult Other Review Board



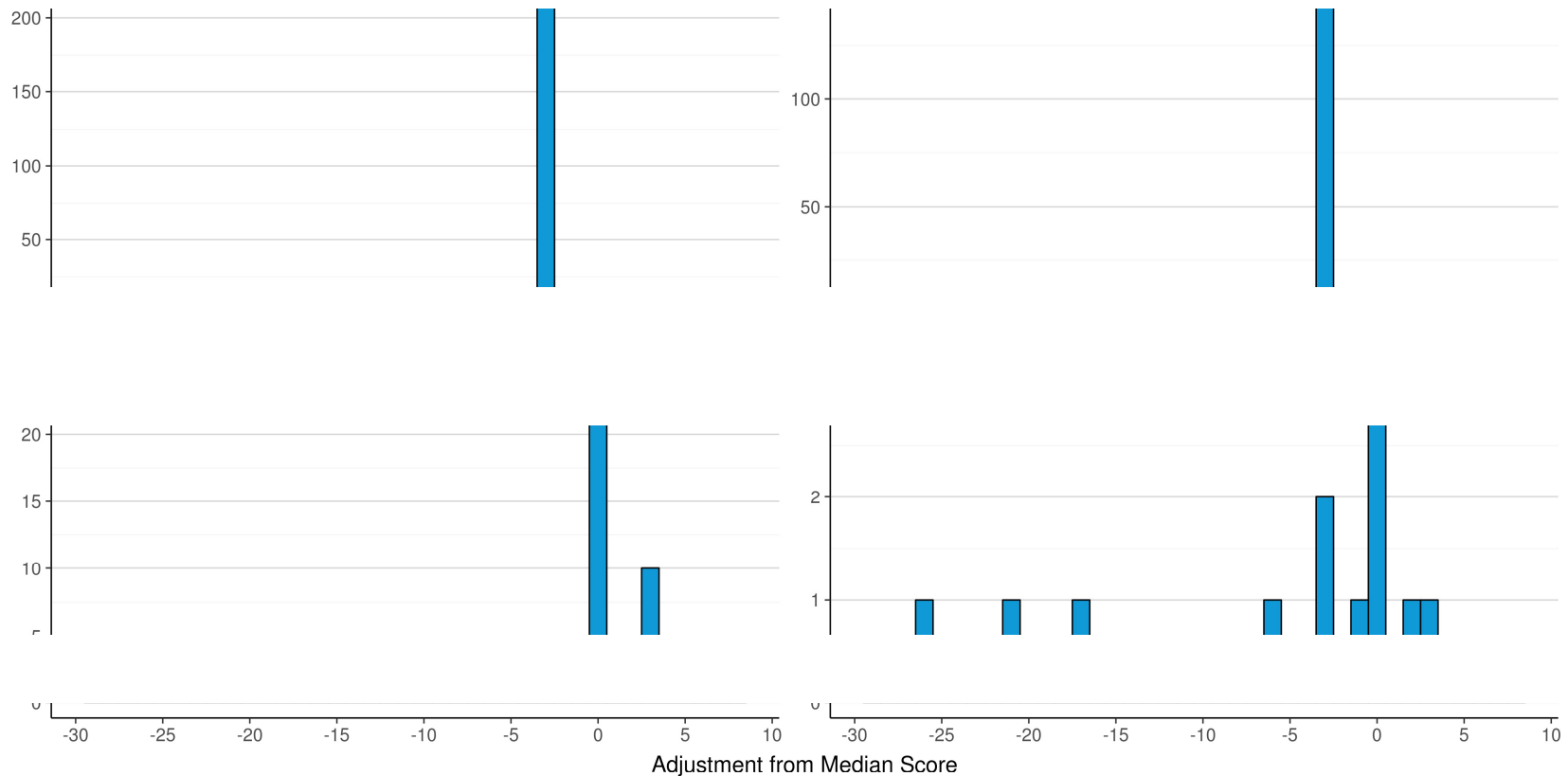
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Exception Forms Submitted by OPTN Region and Outcome Pediatrics Review Board



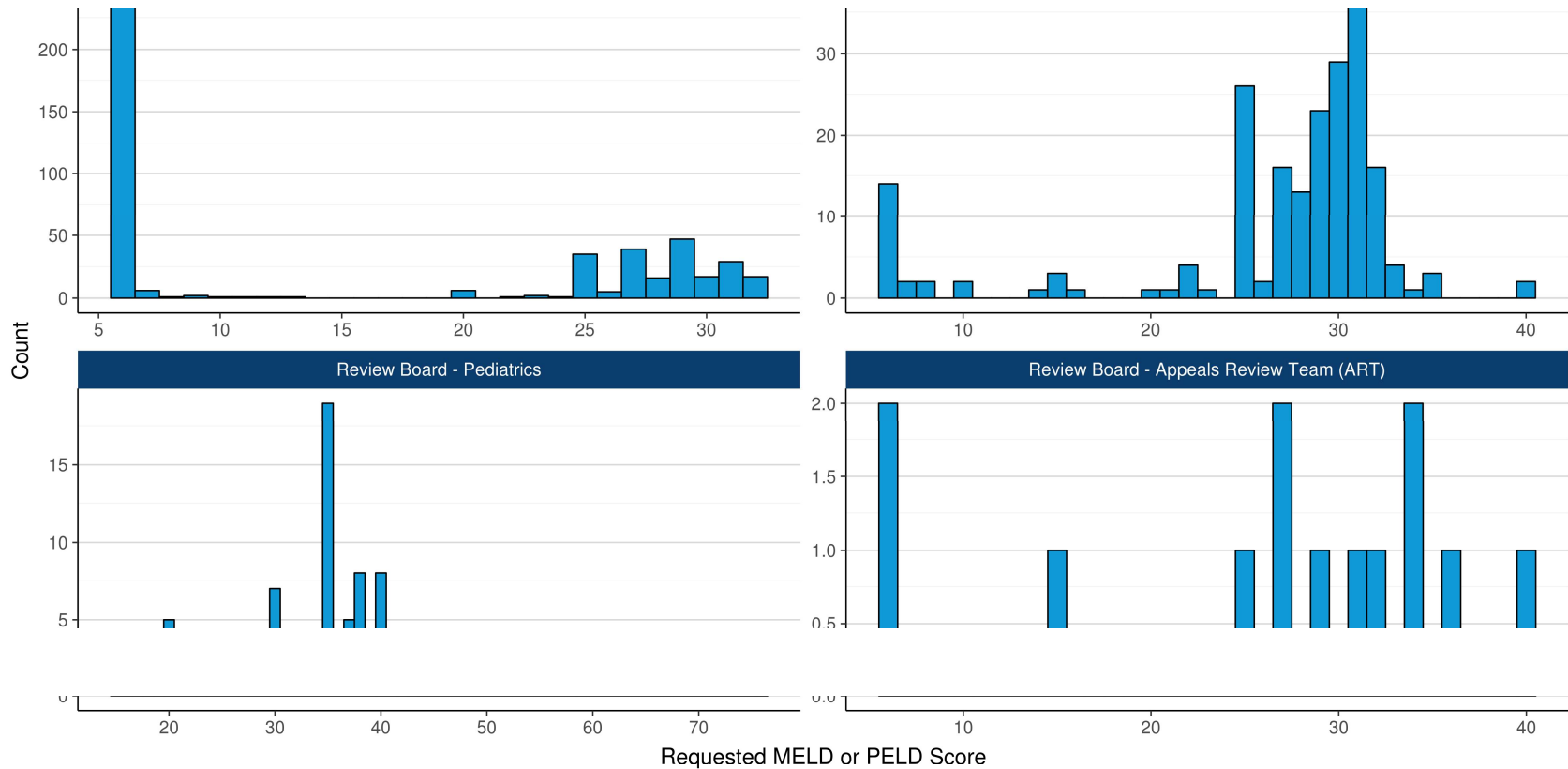
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Distribution of MTS Adjustment for Approved Exception Forms by Specialty Review Board



There were N=236 forms that are not median score-adjusted and N=439 forms that were not reviewed due to auto-approval or withdrawal prior to decision and are not included.

Distribution of Requested MELD or PELD Score for Approved Exception Forms by Specialty Review Board



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Recent Public Comment Proposals

Split Liver Variance

- Changed post-public comment at OPTN Board of Directors meeting
 - Closed variance (region 8)
- Job aid to be available to help OPOs and transplant hospitals determine allocation options for the second segment when livers are split
- What you need to do
 - Complete a participation form before using variance
 - May identify one affiliated center to share with

Submit annual log of split liver procedures to OPTN

Current Public Comment Proposal

Clarification of pre-existing liver disease

- Liver candidates may qualify for Status 1A if they have fulminant hepatic failure without pre-existing liver disease
- Currently unclear whether a candidate who received a prior liver transplant could ever qualify
- Clarification will allow prior recipients who otherwise meet criteria to qualify for Status 1A