

**OPTN Executive Committee
Meeting Summary
June 14, 2024
Webex**

Dianne LaPointe Rudow, ANP-BC, DNP, FAAN, Chair

Introduction

The OPTN Executive Committee met via Webex teleconference on 06/14/2024 to discuss the following agenda item:

1. Welcome and Announcements
2. New Projects from the Policy Oversight Committee (POC)*

The following is a summary of the Committee's discussion.

1. Welcome and Announcements

Dianne LaPointe Rudow, Chair of the Executive Committee, welcomed the committee to the meeting and presented the agenda.

2. New Projects from the Policy Oversight Committee (POC)*

Jennifer Prinz, Chair of the Policy Oversight Committee (POC), presented two new projects. Ms. Prinz presented a new project from the Operations and Safety Committee (OSC) on Re-evaluation of Deceased Donor Testing Requirements and a new project from the Living Donor Committee to Update and Improve Efficiency in Living Donor Data Collection.

Ms. Prinz shared that the purpose of the project on Re-evaluation of Deceased Donor Testing Requirements is to increase efficiency in the organ offer process by ensuring appropriate and adequate deceased donor testing information is available at the time of offer. She shared that the OSC will re-evaluate policies related to deceased donor testing requirements to identify what testing requirements, if any, are outdated or no longer relevant, and better understand processes related to deceased donor testing and propose modifications to current policy. Ms. Prinz noted that the project would only impact deceased donors. Ms. Prinz shared the key metrics, resources estimates, the strategic plan alignment, the benefit score, and feedback from the POC on the project.

Ms. Prinz then presented the proposal from the Living Donor Committee to Update and Improve Efficiency in Living Donor Data Collection. She shared that the purpose of the project is to understand barriers and access to living donation as well as long-term outcomes, risks, and benefits, create analysis using an appropriate comparator group (living donor candidates), and ensure a collaborative approach to the data collection process that supports effective and efficient system coverage. Ms. Prinz explained that the OPTN will register living donor candidates and collect donation decision information and will continue to perform follow-up of living donors for one year; after one year, the SRTR's Living Donor Collective registry will perform follow-up of the living donor candidates for their lifetimes. She noted that the project will include necessary updates to living donor data collection instruments.

Ms. Prinz presented the project's anticipated impact on the community, project details, progress to date, and outstanding item for completion. She shared the key metrics, resource estimates, strategic plan alignment, cost benefit analysis, and recommendation from the POC on the project.

Summary of Discussion:

When discussing the project from the OSC, the committee discussed how the POC determines a project's cost-benefit score.

When discussing the project from the Living Donor Committee, a representative from HRSA asked about the resource estimates and the hours associated with the phases of the project. The committee then went on to discuss the timeline associated with the project, and ultimately suggested that the project be moved up six months sooner than the original project plan stated to ensure that this work is completed efficiently and remains on track. The committee took action on the proposed project, including the new proposed project plan timeline.

Vote:

The Executive Committee approved the initiation of the project from the Policy Oversight Committee (POC) on the Re-evaluation of Deceased Donor Testing Requirements (Operations and Safety).

The Executive Committee approved the initiation of the project from the Policy Oversight Committee (POC) to Update and Improve Efficiency in Living Donor Data Collection (Living Donor) with the modified project plan. The Executive Committee approved the project with a project plan timeline that was moved up six months.

The meeting adjourned.

Attendance

- **Committee Members**
 - Andrea Tietjen
 - Dianne LaPointe Rudow
 - Jerry McCauley
 - Jim Sharrock
 - Linda Cendales
 - Manish Gandhi
 - Melissa McQueen
 - Richard Formica
 - Valinda Jones
 - Wendy Garrison
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Christopher McLaughlin
 - Frank Holloman
 - Marilyn Levi
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Ann-Marie Leary
 - Anna Messmer
 - Cole Fox
 - Emy Trende
 - Jacqui O'Keefe
 - Jadia Bruckner
 - Kayla Temple
 - Keighly Bradbrook
 - Kieran McMahon
 - Lauren Mauk
 - Liz Robbins Callahan
 - Maureen McBride
 - Morgan Jupe
 - Nadine Rogers
 - Roger Brown
 - Susan Tlusty
 - Susie Sprinson
- **Other Attendees**
 - Ajay Israni
 - David Marshman
 - Jennifer Prinz
 - Lisa Stocks
 - Nahel Elias