

Establish Membership Requirements for Uterus Transplant Programs

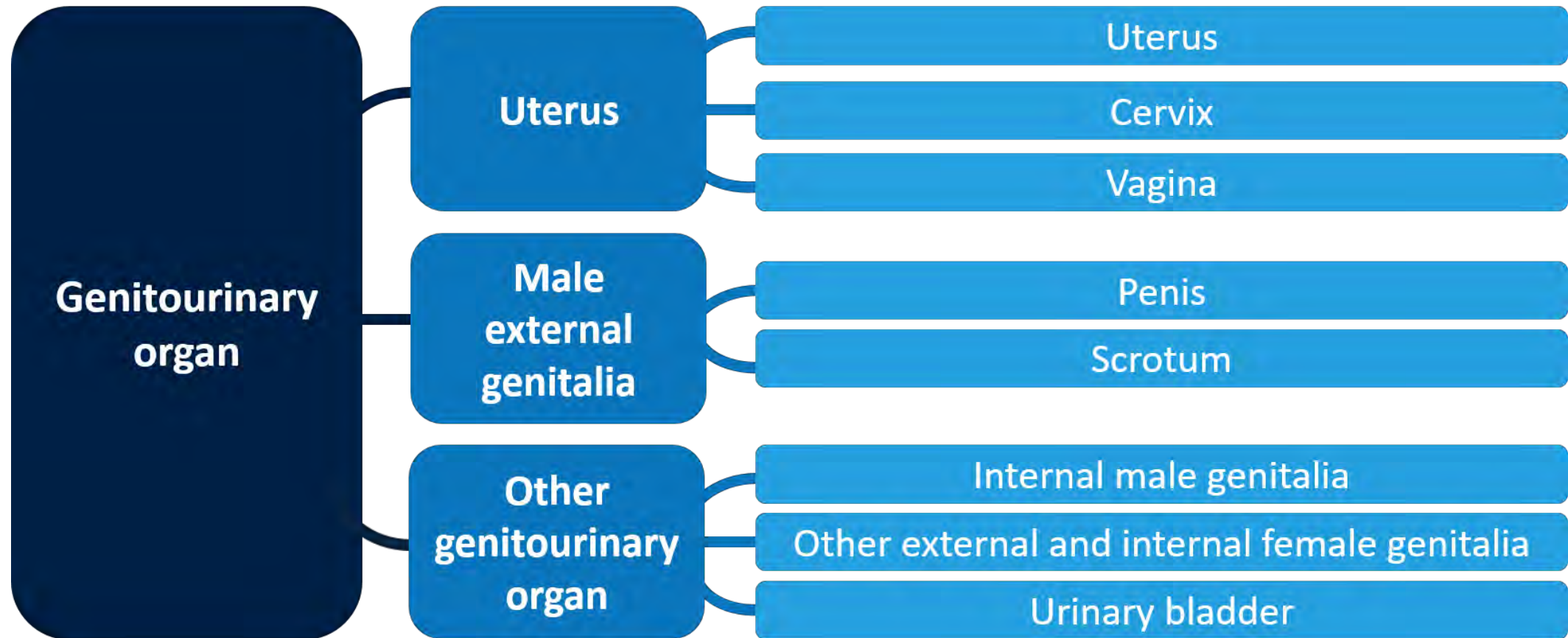
OPTN Vascularized Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee

Purpose of Proposal

- Establish membership requirements specific to uterus transplant programs
- Update general requirements with more tailored requirements
- Reflect expertise needed to safely perform uterus transplants

Proposal

- Split the “genitourinary organ” VCA type into 3 categories

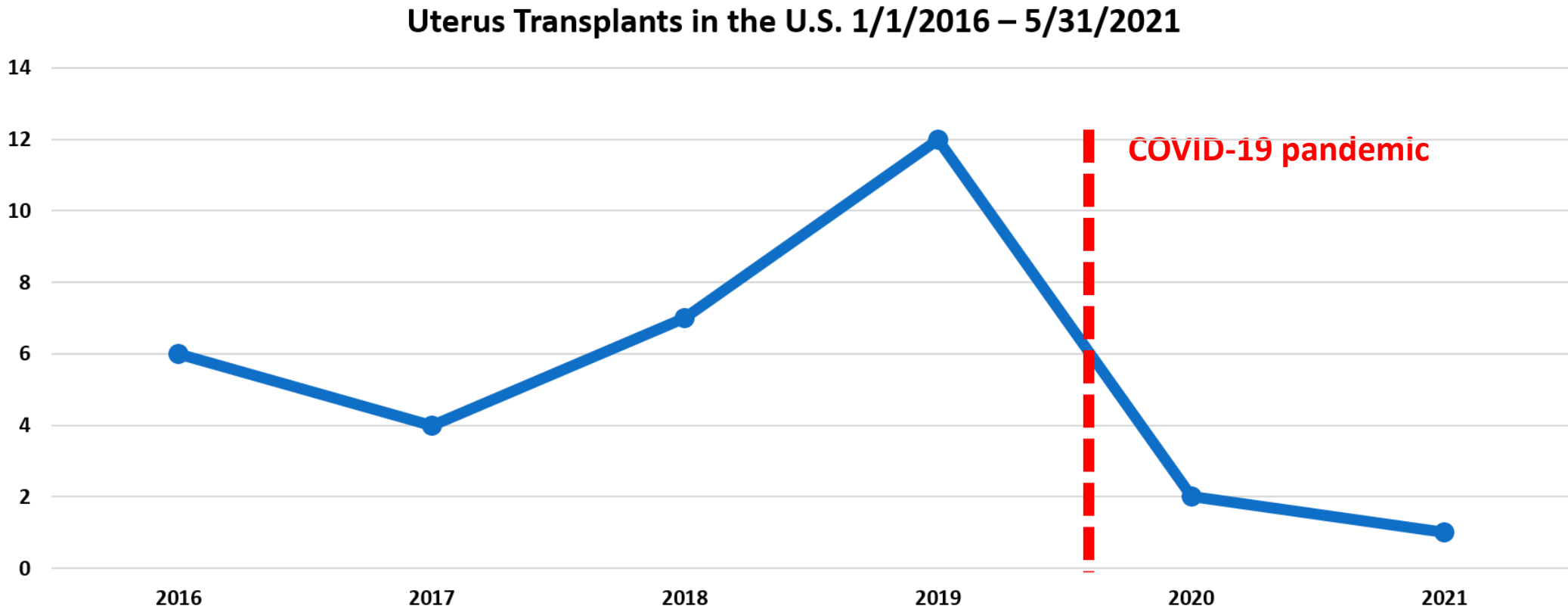


Proposal

- New requirements for uterus transplant programs regarding:
 - Primary surgeon
 - Medical expert support
 - Addition of a primary obstetrician-gynecologist role
 - Hospitals performing living donor uterus recoveries
- No changes to requirements for male external genitalia or other genitourinary organ transplant programs

Rationale

- Uterus transplantation expected to continue growing



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- At least 32 uterus transplants performed in U.S. to date
 - 20 transplants made possible through living donation
 - Resulted in at least 21 live births
- More tailored membership requirements will help ensure appropriate expertise to protect living donor and transplant recipient safety
 - 8 of 32 uterus grafts failed prior to pregnancy

Member Actions

- All transplant programs performing genitourinary organ transplants will need to re-apply for membership to the OPTN

VCA Type	Covered VCA(s)	Purpose of re-applying for membership
Uterus	Uterus, cervix, vagina	Demonstrate compliance with new requirements
External male genitalia	Penis and scrotum	Notify OPTN of program type
Other genitourinary organ	Internal male genitalia; External and internal female genitalia other than uterus, cervix, and vagina; and urinary bladder	Notify OPTN of program type

- No other VCA transplant programs will need to re-apply for membership

What do you think?

- Are the proposed categories of the “genitourinary organ” VCA type clinically appropriate?
- Will the proposed membership requirements ensure that approved uterus transplant programs have the expertise needed?
- Are there any requirements that should be removed or relaxed, or any additional requirements that should be included?
- Is it clear which procedures qualify as “radical hysterectomies”?