# Apply Transplant Notification Requirements for VCA Program Inactivation

**OPTN Vascular Composite Allograft Transplantation Committee** 

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#### Purpose & Proposal

- Update OPTN Bylaws, Appendix J: Membership and Personnel Requirements for VCA Transplant Programs
  - Split the "genitourinary organ" VCA type into three separate categories of VCA: uterus, external male genitalia, and other genitourinary organs
  - Update the reference from eight VCA program types to ten VCA program types
- Remove the VCA exclusion from OPTN Bylaws, Appendix K: Transplant Program Inactivity, Withdrawal, and Termination.

#### Rationale

- Proposed changes pertaining to Appendix J align with Establish Membership Requirements for Uterus Transplant Programs
- Proposed changes pertaining to Appendix K are part of the continued effort to align VCA programs with OPTN policy

### **Member Actions**

- VCA programs need to modify their current procedures and reporting:
  - If their program is under short-term or long-term inactivation status or can no longer transplant a subset of patients
  - If their program is seeking to reactivate after long-term inactivation or to extend their long-term inactivation status

## What do you think?

 The Committee is seeking public comment feedback on the removal of the VCA exclusion from transplant program inactivity patient and OPTN notification bylaw requirements