OPTN Operations & Safety Committee
Match Run Rules Workgroup
Meeting Summary
May 18, 2023
Conference Call

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Introduction

The Match run Rules Workgroup ("Workgroup") met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 05/18/2023 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Efficiency Project Update
2. Next Steps

The following is a summary of the Workgroup's discussions.

1. Efficiency Project Update

Staff provided an update on the status of the Workgroup, as well as the efficiency project being proposed to the Board of Directors in their June meeting.

Data summary:

The efficiency project provides small to medium enhancements to the OPTN Donor Data and Matching System that do not require policy, data collection changes, or public comment. These enhancements are based on ideas generated to improve efficiency by the Workgroup during their development of the "Redefine Provisional Yes" proposal.

The proposed enhancements are:

- Redesign the transplant center console to allow transplant program staff to filter by organ the donor offers they receive. Additional fields will also be added:
  - Cross clamp date/time
  - OR date
  - Organ placed?
  - Top ranked candidate
- Provide visibility into all matches run for a donor
  - This would also show any required share organs
  - Programs would not be able to access those match runs if they had no patients on them but would be available for informational purposes.
- Easier navigation to other organ matches for a donor
  - This will allow transplant programs to navigate between match runs for the same donor without having to return to the donor screen.
- Donor Record view rearrangement
  - Staff will hold a session at the Transplant Management Forum to gather feedback on how best to structure the donor record for ease and efficiency of access
- Automate follow donor alerts
  - Add cross clamp date/time to donor alerts and automate their distribution

- o These will go out when an OPO adds or updates operating room date/time information
- Remove yellow highlight on match run for transplant program view
  - o This was a feature designed to provide clarity for OPOs into where the primary candidate is on a match run
  - o Transplant programs can be mislead into assuming they are primary because they cannot see candidates at other programs because their candidate is highlighted

Summary of discussion:

The Chair supported the proposed change to the transplant center console, noting that it retained flexibility for coordinators who may sometimes take over other organ offer management; each organ could be toggled on or off. A member suggested including future OR timings on the screen, showing more than three offers, donor hospital location, and KDPI for kidney offers. Staff noted that there were already plans to show more than three by default.

A member supported the multivisceral match view, but considered there may be confusion given how liberally "organ placed" is used during allocation. Some programs do not input an acceptance until they have received the organ. The Chair agreed this may cause confusion but acknowledged that this was absolutely a step up from no visibility into multivisceral allocation.

The Chair noted that they had never used the follow donor alerts but was interested in trying them out now that they were automated, especially if they saved her a phone call. The Vice Chair of the Operations & Safety Committee (OSC) noted that this update would also require OPOs to input the correct information.

The Chair supported removing the yellow highlight.

A member asked if any of the updates would interact with offer filters. Staff replied that they would not.

Next steps:

The Board of Directors will consider and vote to approve the technical hours required for the efficiency package at their meeting in June.

2. **Next Steps**

Staff provided next steps for a project to be spun out of "Redefine Provisional Yes"

Data summary:

At the in-person meeting, the Operations & Safety Committee met and broke down the project into four categories:

- Responsibilities of transplant programs
- Responsibilities of OPOs
- Definitions
- Time limits on offers and notifications

Next steps:

A timeline and new project approach will be determined by the Operations & Safety Committee.

Upcoming Meeting

- TBD

Attendance

- **Committee Members**
  - Jill Campbell
  - Kimberly Koontz
  - Stacy Sexton
  - Justin Wilkerson
  - Catherine Kling
- **HRSA Representatives**
  - Marilyn Levi
- **SRTR Staff**
  - Katherine Audette
- **UNOS Staff**
  - Joann White
  - Kerrie Masten
  - Laura Schmitt
  - Rob McTier