

## OPTN Transplant Administrators Committee

### Meeting Summary

September 23, 2024

Teleconference

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### Introduction

The OPTN Transplant Administrators Committee (“Committee”) met in-person on 09/23/2024 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. **OMB Membership Package Review**
2. **MPSC Feedback**
3. **FIG Discussion**

The following is a summary of the Committee’s discussions:

#### 1. **OMB Membership Package Review**

No decisions were made.

#### Summary of Presentation:

The Committee heard a presentation on the Office of Management and Budget membership package. Members were asked to estimate the total time spent on preparing and entering data into the membership system.

#### Summary of Discussion:

Members discussed their membership package data entry practices, as one member mentioned that their data entry is done over the course of 90 days. The presenters mentioned that they are asking several OPTN committees for this feedback. A member asked about referrals and evaluations forms, and a presenter answered that these forms can be found in a separate OMB data package. A member discussed the importance of having a data entry burden estimate due to possible new staffing from data entry requirements. A presenter mentioned that this member is referring to personal directive data collection, which is still in development. A member stated that OMB membership forms cause a large burden, while a quarterly spreadsheet would be less burdensome. Staff mentioned that OMB forms are outside of OPTN purview.

#### 2. **MPSC Feedback**

No decisions were made.

#### Summary of Presentation:

The Chair mentioned that the Membership and Professional Standards Committee has a special public comment item out for review – *Update Criteria for Post-Transplant Graft Survival Metrics*.

Summary of Discussion:

Both the chair and other members agreed that they were in support of this proposal. A member asked why the SRTR (Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients) tier system would not be adjusted if changes are made to the 1-year metric. A member responded that this is for information clarity and MPSC and SRTR data doesn't have to align.

**3. FIG Discussion**

No decisions were made.

Summary of Presentation:

Staff presented an overview of the FIG (Fiscal Impact Advisory Group) and its purposes, which include giving fiscal analysis of outgoing proposals. Staff also discussed recent developments for FIG, which have included low-medium-high buckets and a pre-survey to help clarify those buckets. Staff mentioned that FIG reviews also help transplant hospitals, organ procurement organizations, and laboratories prepare for upcoming implementations, and that members can pull from their own experiences if their organization has already implemented a form of the proposal.

Summary of Discussion:

None

**Upcoming Meetings:**

- October 28th, 2024

## Attendance

- **Committee Members**
  - Chuck Zollinger
  - Chris Wood
  - Jason Huff
  - Luke Preczewski
  - Susan Stockemer
  - Emily Warren
  - Heidi Monroe
  - Laura Droll
  - Susan Zylicz
  - Brian Cruddas
  - Sharon Klarman
  - Jamie Bucio
  - Katie Dokus
- **HRSA Representatives**
  - Kala Rochelle
- **UNOS Staff**
  - Stryker-Ann Vosteen
  - Kristina Hogan
  - Houlder Hudgins
  - Nadine Cahalan
  - Suhuan Wang
  - Jonathan Chiep