

Heart Transplantation Committee

December 16, 2025

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm (ET)

Teleconference Meeting

Chair: J.D. Menteer, MD

Vice Chair:

UNOS Primary Point of Contact: Eric Messick

UNOS Support Team: Tory Boffo, Melissa Gilbert, Kelsi Lindblad, Sara Rose Wells

Time (ET)	Agenda Item	Presenter(s)
4:30 – 4:35 pm	Welcome, agenda review, and announcements	J.D. Menteer, MD, <i>Chair</i>
4:35 – 4:45 pm	Committee business, including status update: Pediatric Guidance Update changes	J.D. Menteer and OPTN Contractor staff
4:45 – 5:50 pm	Project planning for <i>Modify Heart Exception Policy and Change Heart Review Board Processes</i>	J.D. Menteer and Eric Messick, OPTN Contractor staff
5:50 – 5:55 pm	Open forum	J.D. Menteer
5:55 – 6:00 pm	Closing remarks	J.D. Menteer

Resources

OPTN Heart Committee SharePoint Site:

<https://unos365.sharepoint.com/sites/bodandcommittees/Heart/SitePages/Home.aspx>

OPTN Strategic Plan: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/about/strategic-plan/>

OPTN Policies: https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/media/eavh5bf3/optn_policies.pdf

Final Rule: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/about/final-rule/>

Data Element Standard of Review Checklist:

https://unos365.sharepoint.com/sites/bodandcommittees/DAC/Committee%20Reference%20Materials/Data%20Standardization%20Checklist_20210720_v2.pdf

Continuous Distribution Resources: <https://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/policies-bylaws/a-closer-look/continuous-distribution/>

Upcoming Meeting Dates (ET)

- ~~July 1, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm~~
- ~~July 15, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm~~
- ~~August 5, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm~~
- ~~August 19, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm~~
- ~~September 2, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm~~
- ~~September 16, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm~~
- ~~October 7, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm~~

- ~~October 21, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm~~
- ~~November 4, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm~~
- ~~November 18, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm~~
- ~~December 2, 2025 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm~~
- December 16, 2025 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm
- January 6, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- January 20, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- February 3, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- February 17, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- March 3, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- March 17, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- April 7, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- April 21, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- May 5, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- May 19, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- June 2, 2026 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
- June 16, 2026 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm