# Patient Affairs Committee Report

OPTN/UNOS Board of Directors Meeting Laura Ellsworth, BA, Chair June 23-24, 2014





### **Committee Origins**

- 25% of all Committee Membership must be patients
  - Bylaw Requirement
- 1986-1988 patient perspective provided by Board Members and Committee Members
- 1988 PAC, Ad-Hoc Committee
- 1990 PAC, Permanent Committee





# **Patient Affairs Committee Charge**

- Advises the UNOS Board of Directors and other committees
- Develops initiatives and policy proposals
- Develops educational resources
- Provides input on educational resources for other Committees





# **Committee Composition**

Role	Number
Surgeons/PAs	2
OPO Staff	2
Candidates	1
Transplant Coordinators	3
Transplant Social Workers	1
Patient Educators	1
Living Donors	3
Donor Families	2
Recipients	Kidney - 3 Heart - 1 Liver - 1





# **Completed Collaborative Projects**

- New Pancreas Allocation Brochure
  - Pancreas Committee
- Collective Wait Time FAQ for Patients
  - Operations and Safety
- KAS
  - Kidney Transplantation Committee





#### **Current Collaboration**

- ESRD Patient Early Referral Project
  - Minority Affairs Committee (MAC)
- Kidney Allocation System (KAS)
  - Kidney Committee
- Vascular Allograft Composite Policy
  - VCA Committee
- Liver Redesign
  - Liver Committee





## **Ongoing Committee Initiatives**

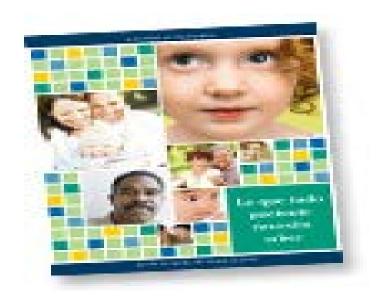
- Update to Patient Materials Encouraging Safetyrelated Caution in the Use of Social Media
- Clarify Policy Language and Process for Individual Wait Time Transfer
- Pediatric Transition Project





#### **New Committee Initiatives**

 Update 'What Every Patient Needs to Know' Brochure







#### Questions?

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