

OPTN Executive Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Information: Agenda and Attendees

Friday, April 10, 2026 | 1:00–2:30 p.m. ET | Location of Event: Zoom

The following is a summary of the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) Executive Committee meeting, which took place on **April 10, 2026, 1:00–2:30 p.m. ET.**

Agenda

Open Session

- Welcome
- Call to Order
- Approval of March 13, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting Summary – **VOTE**
- Updates from the OPTN President
- Other/New Business

Closed Session

- The Executive Committee moved into closed session.

Attendees

Attendee Name(s)	Affiliation
John Magee (President), Shelley Hall (Vice President), Alan Reed (Treasurer), Justin Wilkerson (Secretary), William (Bill) Ryan (Vice President of Patient Donor Affairs), George Bayliss, Jen Benson, Nahel Elias, Samantha Endicott, Cathi Murphey, Annette Needham	OPTN Executive Committee
Nolan Simon	Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Representatives
Doug Fesler	OPTN Executive Director
Rachel Shapiro, Tennille Daniels, Becca Fritz, Zulma Solis, Mona Kilany, Anthony LaBarrie, Mary Lavelle, Melanie Bartlett	OPTN Board Support Staff

Meeting Summary

Open Session

Call to Order

OPTN Executive Director Doug Fesler convened the open session and confirmed quorum. After the meeting was called to order, OPTN Board President (“President”) John Magee reminded Executive

Committee members that the meeting was being recorded, there would be an open session and a closed session, and the raise-hand feature should be used to facilitate discussion. He encouraged Executive Committee members to keep cameras on and microphones muted to support engagement and meeting efficiency.

Approval of March 13, 2026, Executive Committee Meeting Summary

The Executive Committee moved to approve the March 13, 2026, meeting summary. Following the motion to approve, the Executive Committee voted on the following:

RESOLVED, that the meeting summary for the Executive Committee meeting held on March 13, 2026, be and hereby are approved, as presented, with authority granted to the Secretary to make any non-substantive corrections as may be necessary.

Final Vote: 9 approve, 0 reject, 0 abstain.

Updates from the OPTN President

The Board President provided updates on current OPTN priorities.

- **Discontinuation of COVID-era Practice.** The Board President noted that the OPTN issued an announcement regarding the discontinuation of COVID-era practice guidance that allowed for temporary listing practices during the public health emergency. Patients should instead be managed through standard mechanisms, including being made inactive when appropriate. The OPTN will continue to explore technical solutions that would provide real-time screening and safeguards within the system to ensure that listing practices do not inadvertently render patients functionally inactive.
- **Upcoming National Town Halls.** The Board President noted that the OPTN will hold two upcoming national Town Halls on April 28, 2026, and May 13, 2026. The Town Halls will be 90-minute virtual sessions and are intended to replace the Spring/Summer Regional Meetings, providing an opportunity to engage the broader transplant community. The Town Halls will include updates from both OPTN leadership and HRSA, as well as opportunities for participants to submit questions in advance and engage during the sessions.

An Executive Committee member suggested that Regional Councillors provide brief updates during the Town Halls. Board Leadership noted the time constraints of the Town Halls and suggested exploring alternative mechanisms—such as separate meetings with Regional Councillors—to ensure continued engagement without overburdening the Town Hall agenda.

Other/New Business

No new business was introduced during the open session.

Closed Session

The Executive Committee moved into closed session.