Governance and Oversight in the Organ Donation Process

HHS
Secretary of U.S.
Department of Health
and Human Services

OPTN
Organ Procurement
and Transplantation
Network

UNOS
United Network for Organ
Sharing

SRTR
Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipients

HRS
Health Resources
and Services
Administration

HSB
Healthcare
Systems Bureau

DoT
Division of
Transplantation

SRTR contract has been
held by 3 different groups

OPTN contract only ever
held (or bid on) by UNOS

OPTN contract is held by UNOS

OPTN Board members are also UNOS Board Members

The transplant community has shown repeatedly that it does not have that willingness or courage to police itself
- Transplant Surgeon

By Law, OPOs and Transplant Centers must be OPTN members — meaning they have to follow OPTN policies.

OPO leaders are also OPTN board members — which means they govern themselves.

OPOs are government-granted monopolies; none have ever lost contract.

Dialysis Centers

Donor Hospitals

Transplant Centers

Third Party Entities

Government Entities

Scientific Registry of Transplant Recipient (SRTR) Entities

Organ Procurement Organization (OPO) Entities

Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) Entities

United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) Entities