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Subject: RE: AOPO UNOS conference call
From: [REDACTED]
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Thanks for sharing. No intel per se. [REDACTED] is an often hired consultant for members in MPSC trouble and [REDACTED] is the OPO committee vice chair, but I assume that's not the kind of intel you were hoping for, haha.

Their question seem reminiscent of the correspondence [REDACTED] sent to INOP explaining why we were citing them when the state law said according to standard medical practices. My guess is that they are intentionally or unintentionally inundating you with hypothetical questions to try and figure out exactly what INOP must have done or not done to be cited for this and be put on Probation. It's possible INOP's situation has scared the life out of anyone else with a similar state law and they are going to ask questions until they aren't scared anymore so they don't have to go through what INOP went through.

Regardless, if this is turning in to thing AOPO is concerned about, I personally would like to keep [REDACTED] in the loop, just to say they've asked clarifying questions about how we review brain death documentation during site surveys, we assume it's in response to concerns about the INOP case, and we just don't want you to be surprised if you hear about it. As a past AOPO president, I think it's possible someone might mention it to him. I know he talks to [REDACTED] all the time. But I'll leave that up to you, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Just my thoughts, for what they are worth. Let me know if you need anything!

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I also sent this to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] but thought you might want to take a look as well. Any intel would be appreciated.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 3:56:53 PM
To: [REDACTED]
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Hi [REDACTED]
in advance of our call Thursday afternoon, [REDACTED] has identified the following questions relative the AAN guidelines and the UNOS surveys. In addition to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and myself, two other members of our Committee may also be on the call, [REDACTED] Lichtenfeld, another of our consultant surveyors, and [REDACTED] of Mid-America Transplant.

1. If state law is the simple UDDA which states neurological death shall be established using "medically accepted standards" and does not define those standards is UNOS using the 2010 AAN guidelines as the standard?
2. If the hospital SOP is not compliant with the 2010 AAN guidelines but has defined in hospital SOP something different that is used will that be accepted?
3. OPO's do not pronounce death and in fact by law must remain at arms' length, so if OPO has a pronounced patient that

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meets neither 2010 AAN guidelines or hospital policy but details the contact with hospital administrators and their medical director and is directed to move forward based on the clinical picture will that be accepted?

4. How granular will the review for death documentation be? For example, note reads "all reflexes absent, apnea test completed and no respiration (but no recorded PCO2), CBF consistent with brain death. Patient declared at 330pm 2/13/17 signed x. Or is it expected that the note include all specific elements of the AAN guidelines or hospital SOP.

5. In OPO policy is it expected that for verification of death the OPO have a standard that equals the 2010 AAN guidelines?

Looking forward to our call.

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