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Number of Deceased Donors Recovered in 2013 by Blood Group & District (4 Districts)

District	0	Α	В	AB	Unk	All ABO
1	1,958	1,540	514	128	1	4,141
2	934	683	209	64	0	1,890
3	458	364	103	33	0	958
4	628	472	136	43	0	1,279
All	3,978	3,059	962	268	1	8,268



Based on OPTN data as of August 29, 2014

Number of Deceased Donors Recovered in 2013 by Blood Group & District (8 Districts)

District	0	Α	В	AB	Unk	All ABO
1	1,063	841	302	67	0	2,273
2	406	326	107	18	0	857
3	489	373	105	43	1	1,011
4	742	544	173	47	0	1,506
5	151	105	25	14	0	295
6	295	211	57	22	0	585
7	204	187	57	14	0	462
8	628	472	136	43	0	1,279
All	3,978	3,059	962	268	1	8,268

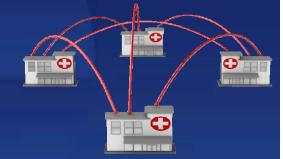


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Policy Considerations For Expanded Liver Sharing

- Transplant center practice to accept more than one liver for one candidate.
- Define when is liver "accepted"?
 - Pre-recovery
 - Intraoperative
 - Liver arrives at center
- Process to accept and back up liver needs to be revised (time frame and decision makers)
- Transplant center capacity with increased travel
- Allocation of "marginal" livers







Policy Considerations For Expanded Liver Sharing

- Process to handle OPO and transplant center disputes
 - Surgical error rates/QA
 - OR timing
 - Code of conduct/credentialing process for surgical teams
- Defining financial responsibility of organ acceptance
 - Waiver
 - Backing out of liver offer and no time to re-allocate
 - Lack of official agreements with transplant centers & other OPOs regarding payment
- Standards to address common procurement issues
 - Biopsy practice
 - Kidney recovery by liver team
 - Packaging/Labeling variances
 - Intra-operative liver turn down and team to recover for other







DonorNet Enhancements Needed

- Elimination of the offer throttle
- Transparency of other organ offers to intended recipient across OPO's
- "Skip" patients when the center has already "accepted" liver from another donor
- Increased screening criteria for centers to apply to donor characteristics.





Evaluation of System Performance

- OPO performance
 - Observed vs. Expected
 - Livers available
- Liver discard or non-recovery
- Deaths on waitlist
- Transplant outcomes



- Time needed to allocate liver and effects on donation
 - Particularly marginal donor allocation
- Cost of flight transportation and system capacity

