

Mandate:

Working Group for revision of the Articles of the Association Scandiatransplant (WGA).

Background:

The Articles of the Association were written in 1992. There have been a number of amendments, but the board feels, that now there is a need for major revision. The current articles do not adequately reflect the structure, tasks, and challenges of the Association.

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The board therefore suggests forming a working group (WGA) with the assignments of reviewing the Articles and coming up with suggestions for a thorough revision. The current definition as being an association of the hospitals performing organ transplantation with a structure including the council of representatives and a board should not be altered. The decentralized structure where health personnel involved in organ retrieval and transplantation allocate organs should be maintained.

The issues to be considered are:

1. The Scandiatransplant database:
 - a. Data ownership.
 - b. Governance of data.
 - c. Data security.
2. Committees and groups:
 - a. By-laws.
 - b. Tasks and Responsibilities.
 - c. Composition.
3. The Scandiatransplant Office:
 - a. Leadership.
 - b. Tasks and responsibilities.
 - c. Staffing.
 - d. Economy.
4. Living donor transplantation programs:
 - a. Appointing representatives (numbers).
 - b. Payment.
 - c. Compliance.
5. Relation to local competent authorities, local legislation, EU, other organ exchange organizations, and international registries. Cooperation with external transplantation centers.
6. Rules for membership, including handling of future possible applications from external centers for new membership.
7. Remove items in the articles which are not relevant anymore.

Composition of WGA:

It is suggested that the group should be composed of:

1. The Board of Scandiatransplant.
2. A representative from the kidney, liver, thoracic and tissue typer groups.
3. The Medical Director as secretary for the group.
4. A programmer from Scandiatransplant with knowledge on the database.
5. A lawyer from Region Midtjylland.

Timeframe:

The proposal will be put forward to the Council of Representatives at their meeting on May 7th, 2014. The group should be constituted before May 2015 and the group should present the proposal for changes at the council meeting in 2016.

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