

## APPENDIX B TO BYLAWS

### UNITED NETWORK FOR ORGAN SHARING

#### Criteria for OPO, Transplant Hospital, and Histocompatibility Laboratory Membership

#### III. Histocompatibility Laboratories.

**General.** An independent histocompatibility laboratory that serves at least one Transplant Hospital that is active in the field of human organ transplantation within its service area (Histocompatibility Laboratory) is eligible for membership in UNOS. For purposes of these Bylaws, independence from Transplant Hospital(s) served shall be defined by demonstration of a distinct governing body for the Histocompatibility Laboratory that is separate and not under the direct or indirect control of the governing body of any of the Histocompatibility Laboratory's Transplant Hospitals or of the governing body of a commonly controlled group of the Histocompatibility Laboratory's Transplant Hospitals. To attain membership in UNOS, such a laboratory must conform to the Standards for Histocompatibility Testing set forth in Attachment II and applicable sub-attachments. The evaluation of each applicant laboratory will be performed in accordance with these Bylaws. Additionally, Histocompatibility Laboratories shall abide by applicable provisions of the National Organ Transplant Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 273 *et seq.*; the requirements set forth in the OPTN Final Rule, 42 CFR Part 121; these Bylaws, Appendices, and Attachments; and UNOS policies. Histocompatibility Laboratories shall also submit to reviews (including on-site reviews) and requests for information as may be necessary to determine compliance with the OPTN Final Rule, 42 CFR Part 121; these Bylaws; and policies. Failure to conform with such requirements shall be cause for corrective action described in Appendix A of these Bylaws.

**Inactive Status.** A tissue typing laboratory that is voluntarily inactive, declared inactive or withdrawn will be ineligible to provide histocompatibility testing for UNOS member organizations.