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Title: Custom Procurement Surgeon Profiles Provide a Basis of Trust for Increased Collaboration.

Background: Organ allocation and distribution regulations are changing and DSAs are being removed increasing geographic distribution and logistical complications. Relationships between TC and OPO need to be stronger for centers that do imports and exports. There is a need for transparency among surgical centers that do not regularly work together. ASIN is a regulation board for certification in organ procurement and could be a basis for trust when working with unknown surgical teams. Procurement surgeon profiles may provide insight to transplant teams when a previous working relationship has not been established and limited knowledge is known about the procurement surgeon.

Methods: We built surgeon profiles by linking with ASIN data and having procurement outcome data entered by recipient surgeons. We implemented it with a basic mobile app prototype that procurement professionals used to help with clarification. We collected survey data from OPOs across the country that participated in our study for basic feedback.

Outcomes: Preliminary data show that users of the surgeon profiles mobile app were satisfied and comfortable with having a basis for building trust. This study is ongoing.