

Sold-Out Seminar Held at UNOS Headquarters

‘Bravo!’ ‘Well done!’ ‘Great speakers and resources’



You know it's been a good seminar when a suggestion on the evaluation form was to make the seminar longer, and another was to make the facility bigger so more people could attend. (For more comments, see below.)
What's it all about?

On Sept. 22 and 23, UNOS hosted its first-ever onsite training seminar for transplant administrators and managers, who came from as far away as Hawaii and Puerto Rico. In a jam-packed, one-and-a-half-day session, UNOS staff educated attendees about the organization and structure of UNOS and also deciphered the requirements of the OPTN contract and how those requirements relate to individual transplant centers.

By limiting enrollment in the seminar to 50, UNOS helped to make sure that employees had plenty of time for one-on-one interactions with Primer attendees. In addition to presentations—which covered everything from the evolution of a transplant policy to the intricacies involved in a UNOS site survey—attendees were able to tour the building and the National Donor Memorial, meet with specific staff members and visit a UNOS computer lab staffed by departmental experts.

Titled “The UNOS Primer You Never Got...and Wish You Had,” the seminar was a direct outgrowth of comments from the 2008 UNOS member survey, in which respondents expressed a desire to receive hands-on knowledge about UNOS workings.

Watch future issues of both the *Update* and the UNOS Communication e-Newsletter for information about upcoming seminars. [U](#)

ONLINE For additional comments from UNOS' Primer attendees as well as closing remarks, visit youtube.com/profile?user=UnosFoundation#p/u/0/A9MeL6ycCSs. And, to see the Primer's agenda topics, visit the UNOS Communications member archive at <http://communication.unos.org> (*upcoming conferences and events > primer*).

PRIMER ATTENDEE COMMENTS

Following are a few more sample comments from attendees at UNOS' first-ever Primer.

I gained new and relevant knowledge.

This was a well-organized, well-thought-out program.

I appreciated the number and broad representation of UNOS staff involved in the event as speakers and also around for impromptu meet-and-greet.

Excellent overview, great information to take back to add to our new staff orientation.

Very good lectures...helped to demystify UNOS.

The thumb drive is an excellent resource.

Loved the availability of UNOS staff so I could ask questions.

We had a good balance of information and discussion time.

This conference was an excellent idea and I really wish I could have had this seven years ago when I started at my OPO—but I am very happy to do it now!