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ORGAN DONATION ASSOCIATION NAMES NEW LEADERSHIP

The Association of Organ Procurement Organizations names newly-elected Executive Committee members.



Charles Alexander



Marilou Donley



William D. Payne, MD

VIENNA, Va. — July 29, 2016 — The [Association of Organ Procurement Organizations](#) (AOPPO) recently announced incoming leadership to the Association’s Executive Committee for 2016-2017. Charles Alexander was named president-elect, Marilou Donley was named secretary-treasurer, and Dr. William D. Payne was named medical advisor-elect.

Charles Alexander is the president and chief executive officer of [The Living Legacy Foundation](#), the organ procurement organization (OPO) for Maryland. He has been active in the Donation and Transplantation Community of Practice since 1996, beginning his OPO career as an operating room perfusionist at The Living Legacy Foundation. Mr. Alexander has served as chair of the AOPPO Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee, on the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) Board of Directors, and has been an influential part of AOPPO’s collaborative efforts with the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) to improve OPO metrics. He will serve a three-year term as president-elect, president, and immediate past president, respectively.

Marilou Donley has served as the chief financial officer/senior director of administration for [Texas Organ Sharing Alliance](#) (TOSA) in San Antonio, Texas since 1998. In this role she provides oversight in financial

management and budget analysis, human resources, corporate compliance, and information technology. Ms. Donley has been active in several AOPO councils, as well as local and national organizations within her area of practice. She will serve a two-year term as secretary-treasurer.

Dr. William D. Payne serves as the medical director of [LifeSource](#) in St. Paul, Minnesota and is one of the OPO's founders. In addition to his position at LifeSource, he is a professor of surgery at the University of Minnesota, and specializes in vascular surgery, transplant services, pediatric transplant services, hepatology, and liver transplant. Dr. Payne will serve a two-year term as medical advisor-elect and medical advisor, respectively.

Returning AOPO Executive Committee members for 2016-2017 include: AOPO President Gordon Bowen; immediate past President Jay Campbell, J.D.; Medical Advisor Dr. R. Patrick Wood; and Joseph Ferreira, member-at-large. As they end their terms on the Executive Committee, AOPO would like to thank Kent Holloway, immediate past president 2015-2016, Dr. Nikole Neidlinger, medical advisor 2015-2016, and Peter Farstad, secretary-treasurer 2014-2016 for their invaluable contribution to the Committee and the Donation and Transplantation Community of Practice.

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About AOPO

AOPO is a non-profit, national organization representing all federally-designated organ procurement organizations (OPOs). The Association represents and serves OPOs through advocacy, support and the development of activities that will maximize the availability of organs and tissues and enhance the quality, effectiveness and integrity of the donation process.

About OPOs

OPOs are federally-designated non-profit organizations that are responsible for coordinating organ and tissue donation across the United States, bridging the gap between the generous donation of organs and tissues, and the thousands in need of these life-saving and life enhancing gifts. The federal government has designated 58 organizations in the U.S. to oversee the organ donation process. These organizations are the national stewards of the donation, and they work collaboratively with hospitals, medical professionals and their local community to build the programs, the systems and processes needed to make donation possible.