evaluate health care delivery and assist in the development of "best practices" models.

The March 30, 2007 publication of the CMS Final Rule, "Hospital Conditions of Participation: Requirements for Approval and Re-Approval of Transplant Centers," should enhance the quality of the information collected by the OPTN.

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